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Telethon To Showcase Local Talent

By Laura Pedulli

Entertainers galore will light up the screen when Old Rochester Community Television (ORCTV) and the Showstoppers team up to broadcast the Third Annual Live TV Tri-Town Telethon from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on February 13 (Comcast Channel 9, Verizon Channel 36). The four-hour long telethon has risen about $1,000 per event in the past, and ORCTV Executive Director anticipates another successful show to help support ORCTV programming and the Showstoppers.

"I think it is a fabulous and fun show. It's a great way for the community to come together and support two great nonprofit organizations," said Kelly Zucco, founder and director of the Showstoppers. Ms. Zucco plays a critical part in preparing the line-up. She said past viewers have sent letters expressing their appreciation for the event, which last year showcased "almost 100" singers, dancers, musicians and other artists.

An array of entertainers from throughout the SouthCoast provided a sneak peak of their talent during telethon auditions on Monday, January 31 evening at the Mattapoisett Lions Club.

In matching silver and black costumes, nine-year-olds Jenna Borge and Samantha Massy offered judges a little country flare with their rendition of "Me and My Gang," by country music group Rascal Flatts.

Above: Winner of the Groundhog Day Cover Contest, Sarah Reusch of Rochester, shows off her artwork which was featured on the January 27, 2011 issue of The Wanderer and her prize, an iPod Touch. Congratulations, Sarah! Photo by Laura Pedulli.

On the Cover:Jenna Borge and Samantha Massy performed a lively rendition of "Me and My Gang" by country group Rascal Flatts during the Monday, January 31, 2011 auditions for ORCTV and the Showstoppers' upcoming live telethon. The entertainers were among many young performers vying for a spot on ORCTV's live telethon event scheduled for February 13, 2011 from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. Photos by Felix Perez.

The girls not only demonstrated mastery of the twang, but performed their duet to a little choreography. Their participation in the dance group Voices in Time helped prepare them for the audition, Mr. Massy said.

Meanwhile, a six-year-old boy with a full vocal range hit all of his notes to the tune "Where is Love?" from the play Oliver!. Edward Gonet, a Fairhaven student, was joined by his father – also Edward – who admitted that he was more nervous than his son. "[My son] loves music and it cheers up his mom," the elder Gonet said. The young Mr. Gonet recently performed in *Alice in Wonderful* in Fall River, and is no stranger to the stage.

Fifteen-year-old Jessica Thibault of Fall River sang the classical religious song, "Hallelujah," in a full soprano voice during her audition. "It is a good song to broadcast your voice," she said. Ms. Thibault recently auditioned for America's Got Talent, and recalled that her voice broke when she performed before the judges. "I learned an important lesson: drink water before you go on," she

Flutist Leslie Neighbor Stroud will join Music Director and Principal Conductor Philip Sanborn as the Tri-County Symphonic Band performs music of three prominent composers; "Berlioz, Bizet and Bernstein" on Sunday, February 6, 2011 at 3:00 pm at the Old Rochester Regional High School in Mattapoisett. Photo courtesy of Phil Sanborn.

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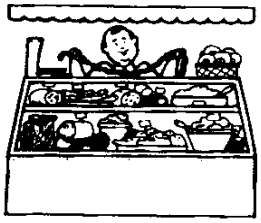

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said, pointing to a water bottle. Sure enough, her voice remained steady and strong during her audition.

In addition, Old Rochester Regional junior high student Molly Richard sang "Count on Him" by Bruno Mars in a smooth alto voice. Also, several young singers at the audition chose songs by Taylor Swift, including 14-year-old Showstoppers star Alicia Larock with "Dear John", 11-year-olds Sadie Weedall and Sophie Hubbard with "Speak Now", and 13-year-old Kylie Moniz with "Love Song". Ms. Moniz sang with confidence, and said her trick was to just ignore her anxiety. "If you let nerves get to you, it'll just go downhill," she said. Ms. Moniz's participation in the YMCA Youth Musical Theatre, with whom she recently performed "Penne" in *Hairspray*, helped train her as a musician.

Other performers at the audition included Lorae Tavares, who projected her voice beautifully in her version of Chantal's "Impossible." Analyzing her performance afterwards, she said, "It was good, but I was nervous. I only moved a little bit," she said. Ms. Tavares developed her skills through voice lessons and in theatre. She recently portrayed Carmen in the musical *Fame*! as part of the YMCA Youth Musical Theatre group.

Show organizers Ms. Miot and Ms. Zucco expect a strong turnout of entertainers for the February 13 show. The original auditions scheduled for Wednesday, January 26 were canceled – to accommodate interested singers, they are accepting submissions via videos uploaded to

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On-screen sponsorship slots also will be available to local businesses during the telethon. All donations and sponsorship slots are tax deductable. For more information, contact Ms. Miot at kim@orctv.org or Kelly Zucco at Kelly@showstoppers.us.

Towns Cope With Icy Conditions

By Laura Pedulli

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snow creating icy conditions that challenge drivers and public officials. With more snow scheduled to come, Mattapoisett, Rochester and Marion continue to cope with this winter's weather related challenges that strain local budgets and keep public workers on their toes.

In Rochester, Highway Surveyor Jeffrey Eldridge said that his crews are preparing daily to handle the next snowstorm. He said this season's snowfall is the worst he has seen in five years.

"Every year is different. I'd rather see it snow six feet than six inches of snow with rain," he said, noting that the recent wet snow is a perfect recipe for icy conditions. "This [kind of snow] is harder to push, harder on drivers and the equipment," he said.

Despite the prevalence of ice, Mr. Eldridge said that accidents are actually below last year's levels, at approximately five or six instances this year. Many of the accidents involved cars sliding off the road, he said.

Mr. Eldridge remarked that his crew limits the amount of salt used on Rochester roads in order to protect the water quality of wells, which are prevalent in the town. "That is why, when you enter Rochester, you see more slush on the roads," he explained.

In the meantime, he said that as of last week, Rochester already has spent its $65,000 snow removal budget and much of the season still remains. "Right now we're just taking it one day at a time," he said. Money will be appropriated from next year's budget to accommodate

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the costs, he added.

In Mattapoisett, highway department crews were busy at work on Monday, removing excess snow along sidewalk curbs to make room for the next round of snowfall. Workers transferred snow with their ploughs to the town wharf parking lot, which served as a storage area for several large mounds of snow.

"In my 20-plus years at the department, we've [had to move snow to the wharf] a few times, but not on a regular basis," said Rob Daener of the highway department. He also noted that the mixed precipitation is more dangerous. "Sometimes you wish it was all snow," he said.

Highway Surveyor Barry Denham noted that his $44,000 snow removal budget – half of which is used to pay for sand and salt – is already spent. "Everything from now on is deficit," he said.

The icy snow caused by the wintery mix has challenged his crews, who require a front end loader to break up piles of frozen snow. The plough "won't push back into what's frozen," he said. "With light fluffy snow, you could push it back."

Mr. Denham said that although this year's weather is challenging, it is not necessarily uncommon. "I've seen years that are even worse. You remember all of the good years – I remember the bad ones," he said.

In Marion, Chief Lincoln Miller said that Department of Public Works has worked hard to ensure that roads are clear for passage. In terms of accidents, he said the town has seen a few more accidents – about a dozen – "just because of snow and ice." However, the bulk of snow-related accidents tend to occur during the first snowstorm, when people are off their guard. "Also, when the snow hits in the middle of the day, we get more accidents," he said.

With snow piled up along sidewalks, he said that pedestrians have been spotted walking in the street. "One thing I do caution pedestrians is not to wear dark clothes but brightly colored reflective clothing," he said, adding, "We've had reports of persons wearing dark clothes who are difficult to see."

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Sea Scouts Sail into Tri-Town

By Joan Hartnett-Barry

Scouting options for young people just expanded with a new Sea Scout program being offered in the Tri-Town and surrounding areas. This Boy Scouts of America (BSA) program – sponsored by the Phythagorean Lodge in Marion – is an addition to the traditional Boy Scout operations in Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester, Acushnet, Wareham and Fairhaven.

Sippican Sea Scouts – or Ship # 19, as it is officially known – is open to boys and girls from ages 14 to 18 years old. The Ship, or troop, will meet once or twice a month to learn nautical skills including knot tying, tidal issues, sea history, boat maintenance, first aid, piloting,

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"We welcome any youth in the surrounding area, even if he or she is a senior in high school," said Jim Verni, the "Skipper" of Sippican Sea Scouts, Ship #19. "We have a group of experienced sailors in the Pythagorean Lodge who have volunteered to be a part of this exciting program," Mr. Verni said, whose son is an Eagle Scout.

Volunteers must meet strict BSA screening, including attending Youth Protection Training and undergoing a CORI check, also required for local Boy Scout Troop operations. "People can feel confident that we have trained BSA leaders who are good men and women," Mr. Verni said. The program is an official BSA program with all content, insurance and regulations mandated by them. The Pythagorean Lodge is the sponsoring organization, which is a community service, and not the legal entity behind the Sea Scouts.

"People realize that taking a child out on a boat has its dangers, and by using the BSA Sea Scout Program, we have the insurance backing and extensive program guidelines to go forward," Mr. Verni explained, adding that volunteers might be hesitant to get involved without the assurance of the BSA's insurance coverage and program material. The lodge could not financially afford to get involved in a program of this type without the backing of a solid organization like the BSA, he added.

"During the sailing season there are always crewing opportunities, depending on the fleet, and they sail competitively," Mr. Verni said. "These crews are always looking for young people who are energetic... we feel this would be a great learning opportunity for these young people."

According to Mr. Verni, the Beverly Yacht Club has agreed to allow the Sea Scouts, with competent leadership supervision, to sail J/24 sailboats this summer. The Sea Scouts will also learn to kayak and plan to explore the ponds, streams, lakes and harbors of the SouthCoast. Camp Cachalot, the BSA camp located

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within Miles Standish State Park, will be accessed as a training ground for sailing and kayaking. The BSA also hosts a national sailing competition where Sea Scouts will compete with one another around the country.

"One day, these Sea Scouts will grow up and possibly own a boat, or have the chance to crew on a friend's boat," said Mr. Verni. "We hope to give these young adults the opportunity to be ready for that day," he added.

The sign up for Sippican Sea Scouts, Ship #19 will be held Saturday, February 19 at 10:00 am at the Pythagorean Lodge, 13 Spring Street.

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Library Video Contest Open to Teens

By Joan Hartnett-Barry

Lights! Camera! Action! That's what local Tri-Town teens will get a chance to say when shooting a commercial for the Mattapoisett Free Public Library. The "Short Film Contest" is a new competition at the library for the best video promoting the young adult section. Topics can include a favorite book, author, series, or what programs or services would be of interest to young adults. The library is encouraging teens to use any genre – from horror films, comedic skits to educational documentaries – to get their message across.

"We're keeping the contest as open as possible," said Liz Sherry, the Mattapoisett Library's young adult librarian, who was hired last April. "There are not a lot of rules... we want to see what the teens will show us," she said.

A video submission can run anywhere from two to five minutes. Students are encouraged to help write, direct, act in, edit and produce a library commercial. Interested teens can check out one of three video cameras, donated by John Theriault and the Library Trust, for one-hour increments for use in making the commercial. If needed, the camera can be checked out for a longer period, with permission from the library.

"The video cameras are little hand-held ones," said Ms. Sherry. "We wouldn't want a seventh grader walking around with a big shoulder size video camera.

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To assist teens with the equipment and to answer questions about filming and editing, the library staff will hold weekly one-hour workshops every Wednesday at 4:00 pm. The scheduled workshops are a learning opportunity for students to see how video footage can be edited and mixed for an effective presentation, Ms. Sherry said. The next session is scheduled for Wednesday, February 9 at 4:00 pm.

Entries must be received by Saturday, March 12. There will be only one winner, who will receive a gift basket and have their video posted on the library website for the public to view. Runner-up entries will be acknowledged, but only the winners' video will be posted. Submissions can be e-mailed to Ms. Sherry at Esheey@sailsinc.org, with the video embedded in it, similar to a photo or document attachment.

"We're hoping to have the winner's video aired on [public television], but that is down the line... right now we want teens to jump in and enter the contest," Ms. Sherry said.

Overall, Ms. Sherry hopes the contest will encourage more teens to check out the resources in the library. "I love this job and we want to draw more young people into the library," she said. "We installed a

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Towns Participate in Homeless Count

By Laura Pedulli

Last Wednesday, January 26, officials in the Tri-Town and throughout the state participated in the annual Statewide Homeless Census count. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requires the count to help determine how much funding state agencies need to provide services for the homeless. These agencies oversee larger regions, which include the Tri-Town and larger cities like New Bedford and Taunton.

Mattapoisett and Marion Police Department officials reported no homeless, or individuals lacking fixed housing who reside in shelters or outdoors, in either town – mostly because homeless citizens from these areas move to cities where services are available. However, town officials pointed out some isolated cases of past homelessness, and evidence of financial stress affecting local families and individuals.

In Mattapoisett, Police Chief Mary Lyons said that although the town reported no homeless in the Plymouth County Homeless Count, as recently as two months ago a homeless man lived in a campsite in the woods.

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donations to help feed this man while he was homeless," Chief Lyons said, adding that the department provided shelter supplies and slightly used clothing to him.

"I have to credit [the late Detective Lt.] Paul Silveira for checking in with this guy almost daily," she said.

Chief Lyons also noted that some individuals are housed in a Mattapoisett motel through state-run social service agencies. However, these individuals are not technically homeless because they have living quarters.

Rochester did not participate in the count – which is voluntary – but Rochester Deputy Police Officer Tracy Eldridge said that during her time in the Rochester Police Department, she could not recall encountering any

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homeless persons.

Rochester Town Clerk and Selectman Chair Naida Parker, however, remarked that on recent occasion individuals were found living in trailers – unheated with no electricity – on the back of lots. These individuals are not technically homeless, she said, however oftentimes the Board of Health intercedes to provide temporary assistance to these individuals.

Overall, she said Rochester lacks the services that attract homeless, and locals needing help move to cities. "There is no place to get shelter. You are really out in the elements here," she said.

Marion Police Chief Lincoln Miller reported no homeless as well, and Andrea Keene in the registrar's office who participates in Marion's annual census count confirmed, "In the 37 years, I've never reported any." The reason: lack of services.

"If you are looking for services, you gravitate toward cities, where there is transportation… That is the testament of cities, despite the heat they get, they have good services," said Dennis Carmen of Plymouth County's United Way, who oversaw the homeless count for Plymouth County. In nearby New Bedford, for instance, the homelessness count netted 25 individuals as unsheltered and at high risk of homelessness, as reported by Carl Alves of PAACA, Inc, which oversaw the count.

Mr. Carmen added that at-risk homeless persons tend to double or triple up in houses, moving in with family or sympathetic friends. Often, he said, these individuals live transient lives until they get their feet on the ground.

One related case reported during a September 2010 Rochester School Committee meeting was brought to light when the mother of a Rochester Memorial School student asked the committee if her son could remain at RMS, despite the fact that they have had to recently move temporarily to Marion. The mother said that her son and herself sleep four nights per week in Rochester at her brother's house, but housed their belongings in Marion.

The committee ended up allowing the boy to continue to attend RMS because they determined his case falls into the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

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Mr. Carmen said that emergence of "the new unemployed" in the face of a slumping economy is bringing "a huge number of people" into shelters as well. He said shelters have gotten more apt at housing a greater number of people, and so far the numbers are showing that although fewer people are out on the streets, more individuals and families are living in shelters.

Although he said admitting homelessness "is not popular" for towns – he said reporting instances of homelessness is critical for agencies to receive funding and for people to receive the support they need.

Town House Repair Options Weighed

Marion Board of Selectmen

By Anne Kakley

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order by Chairman Roger Blanchette on February 1, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the Marion

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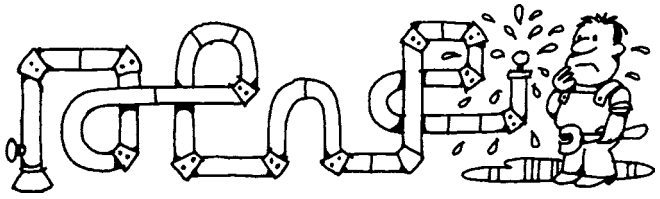

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The minutes of the January 18 meeting were approved.

In a discussion item, the Board considered an offer from the Planning Board to endorse a town meeting article asking voters to pass the "Mullin rule". The rule enables members of a board, committee or commission, to vote on adjudicatory hearings, even if the member has missed a single meeting. In small towns, said Mr. Dawson, it can be problematic if a board member has missed a meeting and cannot participate in an important vote. The Mullin rule allows this member to review video and minute coverage from their absence, and still participate in a hearing decision.

The Board, however, determined that the Mullin rule would not be necessary for a three-member board. The Board rarely participates in adjudicatory hearings – such as dog hearings and liquor license hearings – and when they do, absence has not been a problem in the past. Therefore, the Selectmen did not vote to sign the article with the Planning Board. Mr. Dawson said that the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and the Conservation Commission were also invited to co-sign on the article, and would make the decision to participate at their respective meetings.

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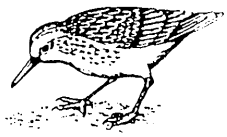

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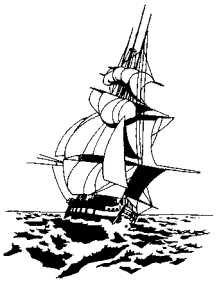

"For those kinds of boards, we ought to go forward," said Chairman Blanchette. "We ought to go to town meeting and approve it… [but] I don't think it's appropriate for us."

Under action items, the Board approved a one-day, all-alcohol license for the VFW's #2425 Ham and Bean Supper on February 12 and signed water commitments for $250 and $1,220.

Mr. Dawson then informed the Board that recent water testing had shown elevated levels of copper in the town water. The water, which Mr. Dawson said was tested on a monthly basis, had been showing an incremental increase in copper levels, and had recently exceeded the state's established acceptable safety level. A Camp, Dresser and McKee (CDM) report said that the firm would work to find the source of the excess copper, and would help the town remediate the problem.

"Copper doesn't just come from somewhere," said Chairman Blanchette. "If we were able to find, with this contract, where the copper is coming from… would we not be able to recoup some of this money?"

"All avenues are open to us," said Mr. Dawson, who indicated that the town would at least try to make the responsible party pay for the work.

Mr. Dawson said that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) had issued an administrative consent order in regards to the copper levels, which meant that the Board would have to act.

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"It sounds like we don't really have a choice. Hopefully this will lead us to the source," said Selectman Cushing. The Board voted to authorize Mr. Dawson to enter a contract with CDM in the amount of $43,900, with money coming from the water department's Inflow and Infiltration (I and I) budget.

In their only appointment of the evening, the Board met with Charlie Van Voorhis of Durland/Van Voorhis Architects, a firm out of New Bedford that specializes in renovating historic and antique buildings. The firm recently toured the Town House to determine the building's needs and compiled a report of their findings.

The report analyzed the "existing conditions"

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"The roof is in relatively good shape," said Mr. Van Voorhis. "The area around the building however, is in need of work," he added, saying that there was immediate need to "shed" water away from the base of the building to prevent further water seepage issues.

This preliminary report prompted a discussion from the Board, regarding how the town should go forward with their Town House needs. The first decision was whether they wanted to renovate their existing 19th century building or consider building a new structure. According to Mr. Van Voorhis, building a new building is typically 5 to 10 percent more costly than renovating an existing building, but the Town House is much larger than it needs to be for the town's operations.

The second decision was, if the town chooses to renovation the existing building, whether they would want to do so in one large project or in several smaller projects. "You can keep going on, patching what is here,"

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According to the existing conditions report, a complete renovation would cost approximately $5.4 million.

Selectman Henry questioned whether the Town House would be worth saving, considering all the problems that would need to be addressed. He suggested that the town might want to consider constructing a new building, possibly in the area of Washburn Park.

"I think this is something we have to come to grips with and then present it at town meeting," said Chairman Blanchette. When the town determined how it would address the Town House problem, the Chairman said that the next step would be approaching the Community Preservation Fund and then bond out the rest of the project. "But bring it to town meeting, because that is where it needs to go," he added.

"This is not something to be rushed into and every piece needs to be figured out," said Mr. Dawson, who said that the town might not even be ready to vote on the issue in time for the 2011 annual town meeting. The issue, he said, should be "properly vetted" and addressed after gathering more information.

The Board agreed to investigate the cost of building a new Town House for comparative purposes, and will plan public hearings to gather public sentiment on how the town should go forward with this need.

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Selectmen Address ORCTV Issue

Joint School Committee Meeting

By Anne Kakley

A regular meeting of the Old Rochester Regional Superintendency Union #55 and the ORR District School Committee was held on January 27, 2011 at 6:30 pm. SU Chairperson Sharon Hartley and ORR chairperson Peter Bangs called the meeting to order.

In their first appointment, the Committees met with Sue Grosart and Kim Frink to hear the annual report from the Tri-Town Education Foundation. The foundation was formed to enhance and enrich education for students in the Tri-Town. It maintains an endowment called the Lighthouse Fund Grant, which bestows money to educational initiatives in the Tri-Town.

According to Ms. Grosart, the foundation has about $5,200 to give for the next grant. Ms. Grosart and Mr. Frink said that the foundation was seeking members, particularly from Rochester. She said that the foundation meets about five times per year and has one fundraising event in June called the Taste of the Tri-Town. Any Rochester resident interested in the Tri-Town Foundation Committee should contact chairperson Kim Frink at 508-748-1418.

In a second appointment, the Board met with Mattapoisett Town Administrator Michael Gagne to

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discuss ongoing contractual issues regarding ORCTV, and its potential impact on cable access learning at the district schools. Both Marion and Rochester agreed to continue a contract with ORCTV, while Mattapoisett opted to wait. Mattapoisett hoped to maintain some of the PEG (Public/Educational/Government) access fees to improve their own equipment and facilitate their goal of televising more board and committee meetings. With Mattapoisett choosing to not engage in a regional contract right away, rumors swirled about the future of ORCTV, said Mr. Gagne, who proceeded to read a statement to the committee.

In this letter, signed by Mattapoisett selectmen Jordan Collyer, Paul Silva and George Randall, the Board expressed the desire to "set the record straight" regarding future agreements:

"We do not intend to withhold any funds due ORCTV," read Mr. Gagne. "…Some may have read or heard a statement that Mattapoisett was going to be the demise of ORCTV or Mattapoisett was jeopardizing the future of ORCTV. These statements are factually incorrect." The letter explained that the town was trying to use the contract expiration date as an opportunity to "look at the terms and conditions of future agreements with ORCTV."

PEG access fees are gathered from a 4.5 percent surcharge applied to Mattapoisett resident subscribers. The selectmen described their policy review as a "fiduciary responsibility to see that the surcharge from the cable subscribers… are appropriately being spent."

According to the letter, the Board is currently working to develop a plan and budget to broadcast every meeting in Mattapoisett on local cable channels. When they complete these plans, they will share them with ORCTV. By holding out and renegotiating, Mr. Gagne said that they hoped to replace the outdated equipment that they purchased in 1994.

The point of the meeting with the Joint school committees, said Mr. Gagne, was to address how this ongoing contractual issue will affect the regionalized schools of Old Rochester Regional High School and Junior High School. The selectmen informed the joint committee that, if they could not come to an agreement with ORCTV, they would directly send Mattapoisett's franchise fee revenues for the schools to continue their educational access.

With clarification that the schools would receive money to continue their educational programming, the joint committees did not make further comments.

In his brief Superintendent's report, Douglas White informed the committees that the ORR district has used four of its five allotted snow days for the 2010/2011 school year. He told the committees that they might need to consider a course of action at a future date if the schools have to go beyond the five-day cancelation threshold.

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subcommittee, Dr. Bangs told the committees that any hope of financial advantages from regionalizing kindergarten through sixth grade in the Tri-Town was "awash". Instead, the subcommittee would be meeting on February 17 to discuss other tangible, non-financial benefits, such as: time management among boards, computer purchasing, and software/licensing agreements.

"I still think there could be synergies with budget committees," added Union committee member Christine Winters. District member Thomas Shire said that regionalization could have a positive "spiritual effect" on the community and staff.

The Board then voted to accept the school

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calendar for the 2011/2012 year.

The committees tackled the subject of a superintendent evaluation process. "Doug White has been with us a year on February 1," said Chairperson Hartley, "and it's been quite a year." Ms. Hartley said that she had looked at several articles on what other communities are doing for leader evaluations. "As a lay-board, how can we help our leader do the very best job he can do?" she asked rhetorically.

The committees will be working toward an evaluation process that is very clear, said Chairperson Hartley, and Mr. White will contribute to the process by self-evaluating his goals in a report for the committees to review. Chairperson Hartley hoped the committees could work rubrics for evaluation in March, and evaluate in May.

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School Report

Student Announcements from ORR

By Anne Smith

Snow – School was cancelled due to the snow yet again this past Thursday, making January 27 the third snow day of the school year. Students, who were excited by the first two snow days, are now more annoyed than energetic. With the snow days, there has not been a full week of school since students returned from winter vacation. Also, there has been some talk among students at school that the three make-up days in June will force school to officially end on a Monday, rather than the more agreeable Friday. The teachers' displeasure with the snow days stems from the fact that each snow day has been delaying the end of the second term, which has almost become never-ending. Luckily, grades closed this Friday, January 28, before another snow day could cause a further delay. The snow also affected school activities on Wednesday, January 26, when Mr. Devoll cancelled all after-school activities in order to make sure that students got home safely. Homeroom has been lengthened on a few mornings already because students driving to school take longer to get into the school parking lot when there is foul weather. Hopefully there will be no more snow days and school will be able to return to a sense of normalcy.

Term 2 – As previously said, grades for term two closed this past Friday. Teachers are finalizing their grades this week, and students can expect to receive their report cards in the near future. Assignments starting from this week on will go on term three.

AP Bulletins – Students who are registered in Advanced Placement classes received their AP bulletins this past week. The bulletin, written for both students and parents, has general information about taking AP exams, receiving and sending score reports, and contains the testing schedule for this year. The AP exams will be taken at Old Rochester Regional High School during the weeks of May 2 to 6 and May 9 to 13. The week of February 10,

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students who are planning to take an AP exam will need to pay their deposits to the guidance office. The full price of the AP exam will be paid closer to the date of the actual test.

Volunteer at Sippican – ORR is looking for students who might be interested in volunteering at Sippican Elementary in an after-school enrichment program for the younger children of the district. The next class begins on March 8 and runs for the following three Tuesdays from 3:00 to 4:15 pm. Students can volunteer to assist an adult in teaching a class, or teach one on their own with a parent overseeing it. In the past, ORR students have taught Spanish and writing, but students can make proposals for a variety of different classes. Some suggestions from the front office are arts and crafts, sports activities, language, yoga, and music. Students can stop by Mr. Parker's office to get a form and make a proposal; if it is accepted, the class will be offered to Sippican students in the program. All costs that are incurred by the ORR students in running these classes will be reimbursed, and students can use their hours for community service or class credit.

Student Teaching – In addition, the language department has been looking for ORR students to volunteer at both Sippican Elementary in this after-school program and, at a later date, at OHS in teaching language classes. Hopefully, there will be enough student volunteers to teach all three languages that ORR offers

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Sports Shorts

By Benjamin Resendes

Old Rochester Boys Hockey – The boys' team had a tie this past week against New Bedford Voke with a score of 3-3. It was not the win that they had been looking for, but a tie instead of a loss will still bode well for their overall record. They have seriously stepped up their playing with their last few matches. With top players like **Max Sherman** and **Jake Jaskolka** skating circles around the opposing teams, ORR has been functioning more like a team.

Instead of the typical late night match ups, the game against NB Voke began in the afternoon. By 3:00 pm, the match with NB Voke was already underway. Although they were tied, played very well throughout. They did start the night with a kicker as they had an early lead within the first few minutes. **Max Sherman** was the player behind the early goal. This tie put the Bulldogs at an even 5-5-1, which is not too shabby by overall standards. The match leaves the team with a 3-0-1 in the SCC scoreboard.

Old Rochester Girls Track – The girls did very well last week as they ranked second in the Division 4 Relays. One of the top spots for them was in the shot put. They ended with 34 points, which was just behind the Bromfield score of 37 points. Two of the top throwers were **Alexandra Bare** who threw 30.4 feet, and **Ryan Montero** who threw 20.10 feet. The two girls were just inches away from a tie throw, but as teammates they welcomed friendly inner-team competition. Another great mash of Bulldogs was in the shuttle race where the girls placed second. The time was 25.98, and the runners were **Theresa Morss**, **Hanna Walsh** and **Ally Saccone**. In another race the three girls ran accompanied by **Shanice DaSylva** in the 4x200. The girls took the spot of runner-ups. Finally **Hannah O'Day** took a leap of faith when she landed a 13.10-foot long jump, just behind Morss who

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Old Rochester Boys Track – Congratulations to the boys' track team who did very well as two of their star runners **Mike Tiger** (fully recovered from his bullet wound) and **Dana Dourdeville** took two first place wins. One of these wins was the 4x800, a run that requires both speed and stamina. **Nathaniel Fuchs** and **Ben Bungert** accompanied them. Dourdeville also helped rope first in the long run stretch with an amazing mile time of 4 minutes and 25 seconds. **Nick Pacheco** and **Dan Donahue** also did amazing in their races. The boys placed third in the shuttle dash as **Ian Knapton** and **Collin Knapton** ran with **Matt Vicino** and **Nick Mathieu. Eric Geldmacher** jumped an amazing 18.5 as **David Romamowicz** followed him closely with a 16.11. For the boys, it was a truly victorious day.

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Old Rochester Little League

Old Rochester Little League is pleased to announce that registration for the 2011 season is underway. Registration for the newly formed Old Rochester Little League will continue via an online process until **February 25**. Interested players can download a printable registration form at: www.orll.net. Children ages 5-15 as of April 30 who live within the Old Rochester Little League boundaries (Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester) are eligible to enroll. Registration is required, even for players who participated in the former MYBA or Marion Recreational leagues previously.

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Little League, founded in 1939 in Williamsport, PA, is the world's largest youth sports program with more than 2.8 million children and 1 million volunteers in more than 100 countries. More than 30 million people have played in Little League programs. This year, approximately 300 children will compete in several divisions of play in baseball in Old Rochester Little League.

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Who is a Class Member? You may be a Class Member if you are a person who owned a Mattapoisett residence on April 27, 2003, and that property included rights (including fee or easement rights) in waterfront property that was oiled as a result of the Spill. You may also be a Class Member if you are the heir of such a person.

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Class Counsel in this case are Stern, Shapiro, Weissberg & Garin, LLP, 90 Canal Street, Boston, MA 02114, ph. 857-334-4149. The Court has appointed Class Counsel to represent the Class. You do not have to pay them or anyone else personally to participate in the Settlement.

A Final Fairness Hearing will be held on April 25, 2011, 2:00 PM at the Suffolk County Superior Courthouse, Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA, 02108 to decide whether this Settlement is fair and should be given final approval, and to determine Attorney's Fees and Expenses for Class Counsel. You do not need to appear to participate in the Settlement.

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Mattapoisett's Women's Club

Join the Mattapoisett Women's Club on Thursday, **February 17** to learn about this region's vibrant local food community. Speaking will be Margie Baldwin, a local expert on whole foods. Joining her will be Sarah Cogswell, of Southeastern Massachusetts Agricultural Partnership (SEMAP).

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Sippican Woman's Club

The Museum of Fine Arts "Art in Bloom Roadshow" is the program topic scheduled for the Friday, **February 11** Sippican Woman's Club meeting**.** MFA associates will be lecturing and demonstrating companion floral designs. The MFA associates will then select a poster of a painting in the MFA collection to which they will demonstrate a companion/ interpretation/ floral arrangement.

All meetings are held at Handy's Tavern located at 152 Front Street and begin with a finger food luncheon and tea served at 12:30 pm, followed by a brief business meeting.

The Sippican Woman's Club is open to all women who are residents of Marion or whose interests are in Marion. Please contact Jeanne Lake at 508-748-0619 for more information.

ORCTV News

• **Video Camps** – ORCTV is offering two video production camps to Tri-Town youth. These camps will run during the **February** and **April vacation weeks**. Youth will learn digital camcorders, editing and studio production. Space is limited. The cost is $100 per child, per session, ages 11-14. Please call ORCTV at 508-748-1600 to sign up or for more information. Price includes snacks, a t- shirt and annual membership.

Tri-County Symphonic Band

The Tri-County Symphonic Band is hosting the Berlioz, Bizet and Bernstein Concert on Sunday, **February 6** at 3:00 pm at Old Rochester Regional High School, 135

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With Berlioz, music lovers will travel to Hungary ("Marche Hungroise") to Rome ("Roman Carnival Overture") and to the center of Paris ("March to the Scaffold"). The two Bizet offerings represent his most famous works, "L'arlesienne Suite #1" and "Carmen Fantasie". Bernstein's contribution to the program includes a tribute to Mstislav Rostropovich ("Slava") and his enduring masterwork for the musical theater, including "West Side Story".

Leslie Neighbor Stroud, a Marion resident and principal flutist in the Tri-County Symphonic Band, returns to the stage as soloist for this concert and will be performing the "Carmen Fantasie" by Bizet. Tickets are $10 for adults, $5 for students, and children 12 and under are free. For more information, including ticket sales information, please visit: www.TriCountySymphonicBand.org.

Marion Council on Aging

Appointments are available for tax assistance on Wednesdays in February at 1:00 pm.

Remember if the weather is bad, the COA will not be providing transportation. When in doubt call the office. As a general rule, if schools are closed, then the vans will not be running.

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A change in the grocery shopping schedule has occurred. The first and third Wednesday of the month we will be providing transportation to the Wareham area. The first and third Wednesdays to Market Basket in New Bedford and the alternate Wednesdays to Price Rite. Pick up begins at 12:45 pm. Passengers must call the office to reserve a spot.

From the Mattapoisett Town Clerk

2011 Dog License – 2011 Licenses are available. Please note that the fees have increased. The general license fee is $12, but if the dog is spayed or neutered the fee is reduced to $9. If the owner of the dog is 70 years old or older, the license fee is waived. A current rabies immunization shot must be on file for all dogs before the license can be issued.

Boat Bills – Wharf, Skiff, Mooring and Boat Sticker bills will be in the mail on Tuesday, February 1. The bills are due and payable 60 days from the bill date. If not paid by April 1, a late bill will be issued with an additional fee of $50. If you should, but do not receive one, or if you have any questions or concerns, please call the clerk's office at 508-758-4103 ext 2.

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Mattapoisett Congregational Jazz Service

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SouthCoast Children's Chorus

The SouthCoast Children's Chorus will hold its inaugural concert on Sunday, **February 13** at 4:00 pm at St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church in Marion. The Chorus will present a selection of songs and poetry, directed by Leslie Piper and accompanied by Daniel Romero.

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Entitled "This Shall Be For Music," the concert will also feature Leslie Stroud on flute. The SouthCoast Children's Chorus is comprised of young people in grades 3 to 8 from communities all along the South Coast. Auditions for the spring term will be held after the concert – no appointment is required (for more information, contact Leslie Piper at LesliePiper@msn.com). Tickets for the concert are $5 and may be purchased at the door. Children 12 and under are free.

From the Rochester Town Clerk

• **Annual Town Election –** The Annual Town Election for the town of Rochester will be held on the Second Wednesday in April, which is **April 13**. Nomination papers are available at the Town Clerk's office for positions on the Annual Town Election. These papers may be applied for between the hours of 9:00 am and 12:00 pm Monday through Friday and Monday evenings between 5:00 and 6:30 pm. The last day to apply for and return nomination papers is February 23.

The last day to register to vote for the April 13 election will be March 24. The office will be open from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm on March 24 for Voter Registration.

• **Dog Licenses –** The 2011 dog license period has begun. This is a reminder that it is time to come in and license your dog at the office of the Town Clerk. The fee is $7 for a neutered or spayed dog, or $10 for an un-neutered or un-spayed dog. Failure to license your dog by July 1

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Mattapoisett Democratic Caucus

Registered Democrats in Mattapoisett will be holding a caucus on Saturday, **February 5** at 10:00 am at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library. The purpose of the caucus is to elect delegates to the Democratic State Convention to be held on Saturday, June 4, at the Tsongas Center in Lowell, MA. A total of four delegates and two alternatives will be elected, with equal representation of men and women.

The caucus is open to all registered Democrats in Mattapoisett. Candidates for delegate and alternates must consent to nomination in writing and be present at the caucus. Those not elected may apply to be add-on delegates in the following categories: youth, minority and disabled.

Discrimination on the basis of age, economic status, ethnic identity, gender, national origin, race, religion or sexual orientation is strictly prohibited by the caucus rules of conduct. Challenges to the delegate selection process can be filed with the Massachusetts Democratic Party, 56 Roland Street, Suite 203, Boston, MA 02129 no later than ten days after the caucus date.

For additional information, please contact Beverly Baccelli, Secretary at 508-758-9343.

Rochester Democratic Caucus

Democrats in Rochester will be holding a caucus at the Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way on Saturday, **February 5** at 9:00 am for registration. The Caucus will begin at exactly 10:00 am to elect delegates and alternates to the 2011 Massachusetts Democratic Convention. The Caucus is open to all registered Democrats but Town Democrats must be registered by December 31 in order to be elected delegates to the convention.

This year's Convention will be held on Saturday, June 4 at the Tsongas Arena in Lowell, MA. For Caucus

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Cuttyhunk and the Elizabeth Islands

On Sunday, **February 6** at 2:00 pm, in the meeting room of the Mattapoisett Public Library, Seth Mendell, President of the Historical Society, will continue his colorful narrative of the Elizabeth Islands. Last year, Mr. Mendell focused on Bartholomew Gosnold's landing on Cuttyhunk and the history of Naushon including the pirates of Tarpaulin Cove and the arrival of John Murray Forbes.

This year's talk will trace the development of the Township of Gosnold on Cuttyhunk including the particular contributions of Peleg Slocum, the New York

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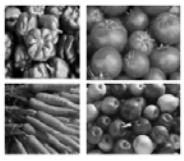

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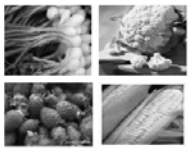

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Millionaires, William Wood and the U.S. Government. Mr. Mendell will conclude with an account of the disastrous wreck of the "Wanderer" on the rocky shore of Cuttyhunk, August 26, 1924. The whaler "Wanderer" rigged as a bark, was the last whaling vessel built in Mattapoisett and the last such vessel to sail from New Bedford.

The Rain Forest at Sippican School

On Monday, **February 7**, the Sippican School in Marion will be transformed into a tropical rain forest.

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In 1992, the non-profit organization Understanding Wildlife was created. The goal is simple: education and inspire individuals to get involved and make this a better world for everyone (including the animals) to live in.

This fascinating comedy animal show will only be at the Sippican School on Monday, **February 7** for two shows at 5:00 and 7:00 pm. Tickets are $5 per person and will be available at the door.

Marion Natural History Museum

The following **after school programs** – which will take place from 3:30 to 4:30 pm – are being offered. The cost is $4 for members and $6 for non-members.

• **February 9**: T-Rex is awesome! Come learn about fossils and fossil hunting.
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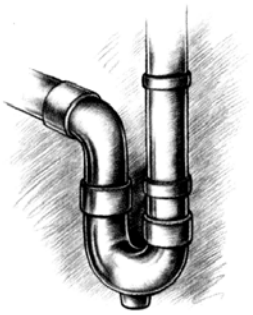

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• **March 2**: How does a whale stay healthy? How does one give a whale a shot? How does one disentangle a whale from a net? Dr. Michael Moore, of Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI), is one of only a handful of marine biologists tapped by the federal government to determine the cause of death in protected marine mammals. The program will examine actual samples of whalebone and baleen from WHOI during this program.

• **March 9**: Fun with Rockets – Dr. William (Toby) Dills, of UMass Dartmouth's Chemistry Department,

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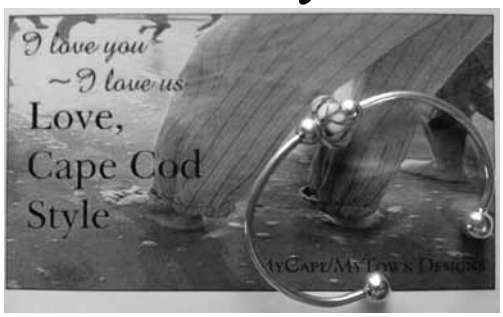

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Births

Hayden William Perry was born January 25, 2011 to his proud parents, Karen (Melo) and Isaac W. Perry. He joins a sister and 3 brothers in the family home in Rochester. Hayden's grandparents are Louis and Joanne Melo of Dartmouth, MA and Robert & Adelina Perry of Mattapoisett

Obituaries

Paula (Duchaine) Mee, 56, of Marion died January 25, 2011 peacefully at home, following a courageous battle against cancer. She was wife of the late William "Billy" E. Mee with whom she shared 25 years of marriage. Born in New Bedford, the daughter of Jeannine Duchaine and the late Paul A. Duchaine, she lived in New Bedford and Marion most of her life.

Paula was a graduate of Bishop Stang High School and Boston College. She was employed by Lighthouse Learning Center in Mattapoisett for many years, where she had many beloved friends and students.

Her fondest memories were of times spent with her family and friends.

Survivors include her mother; two sons, David Mee and Ryan Mee, both of Marion; two brothers, David Duchaine and Joseph Duchaine of Mattapoisett; two sisters, Nina Duchaine of New York and Linda Duchaine of Mattapoisett; four nieces, Devin Smith, Lindsey Smith, Jeannine Duchaine and Gisele Duchaine; and two nephews, Evan Collyer and Edward Smith.

Arrangements by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6) Mattapoisett. Donations can be made to the Livestrong Foundation. Livestrong, National Mail Processing Center, P.O. 6003, Albert Lea, MN 56007-6603 or online at www.livestrong.org. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Helen L. White (Cassidy), of Marion, formerly of Westwood, died January 23rd, 2011. Beloved wife of the late Stanley E. White. Loving mother of Carolyn Meunier of Nashua, NH, Elaine Dolan of East Wareham, Stanley White of Norwood and Patricia Beck of Sandwich. Sister of Teresa Cassidy of Westwood, Margaret Lovett of Quincy and the late Rita Bracken and Thomas and Joseph Cassidy. Also survived by 5 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren and many loving nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by the Holden, Dunn and Lawler Funeral Home, 55 High Rock St., Westwood.

Jeffrey L. Robinson, 47, of Rochester died suddenly on Thursday January 27, 2011 at Rhode Island Hospital. He was the husband of Margaret C. (Taylor) Robinson.

Born in Springfield, the son of Frederick Robinson of Pittsfield, NH and the late Bonnie (Larson) Robinson, he was raised in East Longmeadow and had lived in Rochester for the past 13 years.

Mr. Robinson was currently employed as the finance director of the North Providence School District. He had previously worked as the controller at UMass Dartmouth and the Massachusetts Maritime Academy. He also had been the owner and founder of Langdon Farms in Mattapoisett.

He was a member of the Southeastern Massachusetts Agricultural Partnership and served on the Finance Committee of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy.

He was a graduate of East Longmeadow High School. He received his Bachelor's degree from Salem State College and his Master's degree from Bridgewater State College.

He was an avid fisherman and gardener and a passionate New England Patriots fan.

Survivors include his wife and father; three children, Maggie, Abby, and Joseph; two sisters, Susan Merritt of Milton and Joy Stacy of Norwood; and his mother-in-law, Margaret Taylor of Mattapoisett. He was the brother of the late Scott Robinson.

Arrangements by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Route 6, Mattapoisett. Remembrances may be made to the Rochester Land Trust, P.O. Box 337, Rochester, MA 02770. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Edward S. Hillman, 80, of Marion, died Jan. 29, 2011. He was the husband of the late Shirley R. (Musser). His funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 5, 2011 in the Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, 2599 Cranberry Hwy., Rte.28), Wareham. Burial will follow in the North Marion Cemetery. Visiting hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Saturday at the funeral home.

Mr. L. Richard 'Dick' LeClair of Mattapoisett and Naples, Florida, formerly of Waltham, died on January 29, 2011 of heart failure while engaged in a courageous battle against lung cancer at Kindred Hospital in Waltham. He was 73.

He was the beloved husband of M. Donna (FitzGerald) LeClair with whom he would have celebrated fifty years of marriage on June 17, 2011. He was the devoted father of Maura L. Connolly and her husband, Tom of W. Bridgewater, Julie M. Dale and her husband, Chad, of Hingham, L. Richard LeClair and his wife, Jackie of Waltham, Patrick J. LeClair and his wife, Kathleen of Mattapoisett, and Kate M. Dwyer and her husband, Kevin, of Waltham. He was 'Pa Dick to' Jack and Charlie LeClair, Colin, Aidan, and Ciara Dale, James and Cormac LeClair, and Nieve Connolly. He was the brother of the late Shirley A. Luchini and is survived by his brother-in-law Peter Luchini. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Dick was a 1955 graduate of St. Sebastian's High School and a 1959 graduate of the College of the Holy Cross. After graduating from New England School of Law, he had a successful law practice in Waltham for over forty years. Dick

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• **March 30**: Animal Adaptations - Why hibernate instead of migrate? Which animal has "antifreeze" in its blood? What animals go from egg to adult in three months and why? As the seasons move from winter to spring, what adaptations are animals experiencing? What changes are occurring and why? Can we build a better animal?

• **April 6**: Trees and other things - Amateur naturalist/botanist and former teacher Mike (Martha) Schroeder will be helping attendees explore the world of twigs, trees and other woody growth. The program will examine tree cookies, logs and twigs and learning how woody plants grow.

The museum has the following **family programs** scheduled. The cost to attend is $6 per individual and $10 per family.

• **February 11**, 7:00 pm: "Building an Energy Efficient Home" will explore home energy efficiency ideas with recent homebuilder, Mark Whalen. Mark will describe the design and construction process for a super-insulated, energy-efficient house that was completed in 2008. Photos of construction phases will be presented

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loved his hometown of Waltham and thoroughly enjoyed living and working there for most of his life. Throughout his life, Dick cherished the relationships he had with friends and family. The family will be forever grateful for the devotion shown by his many friends from Waltham, Holy Cross, Mattapoisett and Naples Heritage.

Dick had a passion for golf and nothing made him happier than playing a round with his friends, sons, or grandsons who tolerated his many "Mulligans." He was also fiercely proud of the academic, athletic, and career achievements of his beloved children and grandchildren. To be surrounded by friends and family was his greatest joy.

The family would also like to recognize and thank the many nurses and doctors who took care of Dick during his last few months. In particular, we are grateful for the nurses in the MICU on Blake 7 at Mass General Hospital including Fred, Stephanie, Tom, and Jen as well as Sarah, Corey, Hassan, and Tom on Bigelow 11 at MGH. Dick was fortunate to be under the care of Dr. Alice Shaw at Mass General Hospital and the family is thankful for the kindness shown by Dr. Dave Ryan.

Family and friends will honor and remember Dick's life by gathering for calling hours in the Joyce Funeral Home, 245 Main Street, (Rte.20), Waltham on Friday February 4th from 4 – 8 again at 9 a.m. on Saturday morning, February 5th before leaving in procession to Saint Mary's Church, 133 School Street, Waltham where his Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery, Waltham.

Memorial donations may be made to Thoracic Malignancy Center, MGH Development, 165 Cambridge Street, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114.

LOCAL CABLE PROGRAMMING

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Comcast Channel 9
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Sunday Feb. 6, 2011
6:30 AM – Words of Peace
7:00 AM – Second Coming Church
8:00 AM – New Testament Church of Cedarville
9:00 AM – Music and the Spoken Word
9:30 AM – The First Congregational Church of Rochester
11:00 AM – Physician Focus
11:30 AM – White House Chronicle
Noon – The Register's Report
12:30 PM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show
1:00 PM - Community Nurse and Hospice's - House Calls
1:30 PM – Navigating the Way for Seniors
2:00 PM – Music and the Spoken Word
2:30 PM – The First Congregational Church of Rochester
4:00 PM – New Testament Church of Cedarville
5:00 PM – Words of Peace
5:30 PM – Veterans Story
7:00 PM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show
7:30 PM – Physician Focus
8:00 PM - The Sippican Historical Society Presents
9:30 PM – Dartmouth Community Medical School
Midnight – Midnight Movie

Monday Feb. 7, 2011
8:00 AM – Growing Old is Not for Sissies
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM – The Future of Fishing
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch
3:00 PM – Words of Peace
4:00 PM – Earth Focus
4:30 PM - Explore
5:00 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
5:30 PM - Around BCC
6:00 PM – Become Your Own Gym
7:00 PM – Your Daily Gumbo
9:00 PM – White House Chronicle
9:30 PM – Army Newswatch
10:00 PM - Smart Boating
10:30 PM – Life Matters
11:00 PM – The David Pakman Show
Midnight – Midnight Movie

Tuesday Feb. 8, 2011
8:00 AM – Navigating the Way for Seniors
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM – Graceful Aging
9:30 AM – ORCTV's Non Profit Highlights
10:00 AM - Senior Scene
10:30 AM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch
3:00PM - Dartmouth Community Medical School
5:30 PM - Graceful Aging
6:30 PM – The Dr. Is In
7:00 PM – Homefront
7:25 PM - ORCTV's Nonprofit Highlights
8:00 PM – Upper Cape Tech Presents – Careers
8:30 PM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show
10:00 PM – Community Nurse and Hospice's - House Calls
10:30 PM – Physician Focus
Midnight – Midnite Mausoleum

Wednesday Feb. 9, 2011
8:00 AM – Second Act
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00AM – Gardening Rhythms
10:00 AM – Cooking with Marie
10:30 AM - Living Healthy – with Jackie Bell
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch
3:00 PM - Sci-Fi Journal
4:00 PM – The David Pakman Show
5:00 PM – Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy
6:00 PM – Become Your Own Gym
8:00 PM – The David Pakman Show
9:00 PM – The Register's Report
10:00 PM – Future Talk
10:30 PM – Life Matters
11:00 PM – 30 Odd Minutes
Midnight – Midnight Movie
1:30 AM – Sci-Fi Journal

Thursday Feb. 10, 2011
8:00 AM – Navigating the Way for Seniors
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM – The Register's Report
10:00 AM – Joe the Water Pro
10:30 AM - Oven Luv'n with Chef Melisa
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon – Midday Movie
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch
3:30 PM – ORCTV's Nonprofit Highlights
4:00 PM – Your Daily Gumbo
6:30 PM – Inside ORCTV
7:00 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM – The Cooking Hour
8:30 PM – The Jazz Room Live
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
11:00 PM – Music Hour
Midnight – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
2:00 AM – Midnight Mausoleum

Friday Feb. 11, 2011
8:00 AM – ORCTV's Nonprofit Highlights
8:30 AM - Peek-a-Boo Turtle
9:00 AM – Gardening Rhythms
10:00 AM – Cooking with Marie
10:30 AM - Living Healthy – with Jackie Bell
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle
Noon – Midday Movie
1:30 PM - Cape Cod Book Scene
2:00 PM - Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch
5:00 PM – Explore
5:30 PM – Earth Focus
6:00 PM - The Tri-Town Business Association Show
6:30 PM - Navigating the Way for Seniors
7:00 PM – Second Act
8:00 PM – Around BCC
10:00 PM - Community Nurse and Hospice's - House Calls
10:30 PM – ORCTV's Nonprofit Highlights
11:00 PM – 30 Odd Minutes
11:30 PM – The Steve Katsos Show
Midnight – Friday Night at the Drive-In - Midnight Movies

Saturday Feb. 12, 2011

8:00 AM – Classic Cartoon Festival
10:00 AM – NASA 360
11:30 AM – Oven Luv'n with Chef Melisa
Noon – U-Mass Dartmouth Winter Sports
2:00 PM - Around BCC
2:30 PM – 30 Odd Minutes
4:00 PM – Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy
6:00 PM - New England Daycations
6:30 PM – Upper Cape Tech Careers
7:00 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM – The Cooking Hour
8:30 PM – The Jazz Room Live
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
11:00 PM – Music Hour
Midnight – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
2:00 AM – The Dungeon of Dreck

MARION GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 39
Daily Schedule
8:00 AM – Marion School Committee
11:00 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting
1:00 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
4:00 PM - Marion School Committee
6:30 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
9:00 PM - Latest Planning Board Meeting

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 40
Daily Schedule
8:00 AM - Rochester School Committee
11:00 AM - Latest Planning Board Meeting
1:00 PM - Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
2:05 PM - Rochester ZBA Hearing
4:00 PM – Rochester School Committee
6:30 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
8:00 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting
10:15 PM - Rochester ZBA Hearing

EDUCATION CHANNEL
Comcast Channel 18
Verizon Channel 37
Daily Schedule
8:00 AM – Upper Cape Tech Presents – Careers
8:30 AM – Teen TV – Teens Against Violence
9:00 AM – ORRHS Boys Basketball
10:30 AM - RMS - Readin', Ritin' & Rockin' 2010
1:00 PM – Tom Bliss Presents: NEC Prep Combo - Januaruy, 2011
2:00 PM – ORRHS Bulldog Dash 2010
3:00 PM - Old Hammondtown School Holiday Concert - 2010
5:00 PM - Upper Cape Tech Careers
5:30 PM - ORRHS Boys Basketball
6:25 PM – ORRHS Powder Puff Game 2010
7:00 PM – ORRHS Senior Superlative Gala - 2010
8:30 PM - ORRHS Bulldog TV - Fall 2010 Show
9:30 PM – Tom Bliss Presents: NEC Prep Combo - Januaruy, 2011

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The Marion Natural History Museum is located at 8 Spring Street in Marion. For more information on these programs, please call 508-748-2098 or visit www.MarionMuseum.org.

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The first two years were successful and this year promises to be filled with many various entertainers such as singers, dancers, musicians and more all from the local community. ORCTV's channels reach over 6,000 homes in the Tri-Town. Anyone from Marion, Mattapoisett or

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Editor's Pick of the Week

Local Lit

Murder Most Foul on the SouthCoast

By Anne Kakley

Anne Kakley
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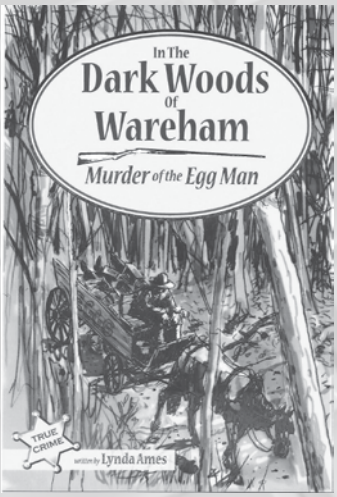
True crime lovers, take note! Here is a detailed, engrossing story that you have to add to your reading queue. If you love descriptive settings, nefarious characters and a sensational trial, then *In the Dark Woods of Wareham* is the book for you.

Author Lynda Ames turned every stone in researching a Wareham murder that took place over a century ago, and the result is *In the Dark Woods of Wareham: Murder of the Eggman*. Ms. Ames, a Wareham resident, used plenty of primary resources – censuses, witness accounts and court records – to weave a tale of horrible chance and moral depravity on the SouthCoast.



Richard Lawton, a Westport egg vendor, shared a lot in common with his murderer, Samuel Besse of Wareham. Ms. Ames points out that they were both rendered motherless at a young age, and both hailed from prominent SouthCoast families. At the time of the crime, neither man was married nor had children. But 38-year-old Lawton had picked a life of hard work, traveling from Westport to Wareham every week, to buy and sell eggs. 32-year-old Samuel Besse selected the life of a loafer, an alcoholic, and later, a cold-blooded murderer.

"But connect they did and hardly by coincidence," wrote Ms. Ames. "These two young men would find themselves on a remote stretch of road on a cold December morning in 1885. Lawton was there by routine, and Besse to take advantage of Lawton's predictability." Besse, a jury would later find out, shot Lawton en route in Wareham, took his money, wandered drunk and aimless through Rochester, Fairhaven and Acushnet, and went on a spending spree in New Bedford.

Ms. Ames tells this story effortlessly, and manages to disseminate piles of records into a riveting story. We learn about the background of the nefarious Besse, and understand, but never condone, his actions. We feel affection for the hardworking Lawton, whose only fault was being a hardworker on a predictable routine – Besse had been eying his purse strings for some time and had plotted the poor peddler's demise.

Quite understandably, this tale of premeditated murder was a sensation at the newsstands, with all of the daily papers in that time period competing for the most grisly details. Reporters battled the winter elements, and each other, for the best story to share. Ms. Ames takes these newspaper accounts to round out the story.

This is a must-read for local history buffs and true crime lovers alike. Moreover, the reader will get a kick out of seeing local names. One of the most damaging testimonies comes from one Ed Gurney, relative of Ansel Gurney, who was asked by Besse to assist in the murder of the Eggman. He declined to participate in the crime, but told investigating officers about the offer.

In addition to regional names like Howland and Tripp, the story spans the SouthCoast, and includes mention of Rochester center, Blackmore Pond Road, Mary's Pond Road, Route 6 and New Bedford Road. The players are all SouthCoast, and some Tri-Town, as some of the witnesses hailed from Rochester and Marion. The story was followed closely by eager readers of the time, but it managed to fade from collective memory until Ms. Ames started her research.

This book also contains family trees, maps, old photographs, and original newspaper illustrations, which are helpful in following the story. Included is a modern-day picture of the crime scene, and a picture of Centre Cemetery in Wareham, where Besse – who was hanged in 1887 after being found guilty of the crime – is buried.

The best part about this story is that, if you remove the local aspect, and if you remove the curiosity effect, it still remains a very entertaining read. Ms. Ames is a fine writer, and will hopefully grace the bookstores with more of her creative non-fiction writing (since this is a debut solo publication from the author).

Pros: *One of the best, most engrossing local stories I have ever read – this is definitely a must-have for the Tri-Town bookshelf.*

Cons: *None.*

Grade: A

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Marion Questionnaire

The Marion 2011 street list questionnaire has been mailed out. Please return this document as soon as possible, even if there are no changes. All information is confidential.

Please call the Town Clerk's office at 508-748-3502 or the Registrar at 508-748-3526 with any questions.

Old Rochester Youth Lacrosse

Tri-Town girls and boys from grades one through eight are welcome to join the Old Rochester Youth Lacrosse team for the Spring of 2011. For more information and to register, visit www.orylax.com, or contact Andrew McIntire at 508-758-3803 or amcintire@arm-co.com. ORYLAX is sponsored by the Mattapoisett Recreation Department.

Rochester Girls Softball

Rochester Girls Softball will hold its registration at Rochester Memorial School on Tuesday, **February 8** from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Contact Polly Lawrence at 508-763-2072 with further questions.

Marion Art Center Classes

• The **MAC Dance Academy** will offer classes on Monday afternoons beginning **February 7** through **May 2**. Instruction in ballet and tap will be offered with a fun recital performance on Friday, May 6 at the Music Hall. Classes are filling up quickly so please register soon. The following sections are available: Preschool I – Ages 3-4, 4:00 – 4:30 pm; Preschool II – Ages 3-4, 4:30 – 5:00 pm; Beginner I – Ages 5-6, 5:00 - 5:45 pm; Beginner II – Ages 5-6, 5:45 - 6:30 pm; Intermediate – Ages 7+: 6:30 - 7:15 pm**.** The fees for the 12-week sessions are: Preschool - $135/$150; Beginner - $150/$165; Intermediate - $150/$165. Teah Mazzoni Johnson, Instructor.

• **Piano Lessons for Beginners and Intermediates** will be taught by Nancy Sparklin through April 9 with times to be arranged. Call her at 508-763-2327 for an appointment.

• **Saturday Art Classes** will be offered from 10:00 to 11:30 am beginning **February 5**. Instructor: Kendra D'Angora. Fee: $150/ $165 and includes most materials.

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TriTown Happenings

Above and Left: *Ruth and Rachel Bates attempted to simulate the feeling of the Arctic in Mattapoisett with their polar bear and cat snow creations in late January 2011. Photo courtesy of Bodil Perkins.*

Above*: Crews from the Mattapoisett Highway Department transferred snow from sidewalks to the town wharf parking lot on Monday, January 31, 2011 morning to prepare for the next snowstorm. Photo by Laura Pedulli.*

Right*: On the morning of Saturday, January 29, 2011, the cast and crew of "Fairhaven" (the movie) worked at the Fairhaven Town Hall for several hours, setting up equipment and briefly shooting. Producer Massoumeh Emami stood on the steps of the town hall with film writer and lead actor Tom O'Brien while crew carried boom mics and heavy equipment into the building. Excitement for this independent movie has spilled into the Tri-Town, with residents hoping to catch a glimpse of the film in action. Photo by Anne Kakley.*

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

• **Children's Theater (Ages 6-8)** In each six-week session, the children will learn basic theatre craft through drama games, and will work on presenting some "Fractured Fairy Tales". Nancy Sparklin, Instructor. The second session is scheduled from **March 1** to **April 5**. Fee for six-week Session: $75/$90

Please stop by the Center at the corner of Pleasant Street and Main Street in Marion to pre-register or call 508-748-1266 for more information. You can e-mail the Center at MarionArtCenter@verizon.net or visit: www.MarionArtCenter.org.

Flu Vaccine for Mattapoisett Residents

The flu vaccine is available for Mattapoisett residents six months of age and older. Please call the Public Health Nursing Office at 508-758-4118 to schedule an appointment. A $5 suggested donation is encouraged for residents not covered by insurance.

Transportation to the Public Health Nursing Office may be scheduled through the COA. Please call 508-758-4110. Home visits for homebound residents and residents with limited mobility may be scheduled through the Public Health Nursing Office. Please call 508-758-4118 to schedule a home visit.

Carbon Offset Initiative

Executive Director of the Marion Institute, Desa Van Laarhoven, is hoping that people will join her in losing a ton – of carbon that is – this month. Along with her teammates, she is "walking the talk", cutting her carbon footprint by going on a "carbon diet".

What Does "Carbon Footprint" Mean? –A carbon footprint is a measure of the impact our activities have on the environment – from the car you drive to the vegetables you buy at a store – everything has a measurable carbon footprint. When you hear about your "carbon footprint", it is in reference to the amount of greenhouse gases (CO2 and other gases) that we individually produce. The burning of fossil fuels by use of electricity, home heating, transportation, etc., all play a part in the rise of CO2 gases in our atmosphere, one of the main contributors to climate change.

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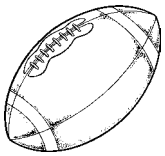

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Movie Review

Kung Fu Fighting

By Rob Gonsalves
www.robsmovievault.com

***Ip Man 2: Legend of the Grandmaster.* Starring Donnie Yen and Sammo Hung. Directed by Wilson Yip. Running time: 109 minutes. MPAA rating: R.**

2008's *Ip Man* was one of the great modern martial-arts films. Its titular hero was based on a real-life grandmaster of Wing Chun whose main claim to fame in America is that he trained Bruce Lee. The movie followed the humble but virtuosic Ip as he taught students, defended his friend's cotton mill against thugs, and struggled to survive during the Japanese occupation of China in 1937. That last element gave the original *Ip Man* some gravitas, and even though much of the story was pure fantasy (Ip never fought a duel with a Japanese general, as the film had it), it was never less than engaging and entertaining.

The new sequel, *Ip Man 2: Legend of the Grandmaster,* which got a limited release in America last weekend, goes even further into Chinese nationalist mythmaking. Here, Ip is pitted against a loutish, brutal British boxer, who represents the British colonial rule that Hong Kong was under at the time. This boxer has already killed another local master in the ring, and it becomes important for Ip to defeat him to restore the nation's pride. I seriously doubt the real Ip fought an English boxer calling himself "the Twister" any more than he fought a Japanese general, but let's go along with the conceit for the sake of fable, even if it turns the movie's last act into *Rocky IV.*

The sequel unavoidably lacks the resonance of the original's war-torn milieu, but three men return from the first film and keep it entertaining: director Wilson Yip, fight choreographer Sammo Hung (who also appears here as an Ip rival turned friend), and star Donnie Yen as Ip. Yen, slim and severe, walks calmly in a black ankle-length coat, looking like a country priest on holiday. Yet he also has an easy smile and an infinite amount of patience with his students. In this second film, Ip's wartime experiences seem to have drawn him closer to his wife and son (there's another baby on the way), and even though you can follow *Ip Man 2* without having seen the first, you'd miss touches like Ip's bittersweet, reflective smile when asked if he can fight ten men (viewers of *Ip Man* know he did, in a Japanese prison). Yen successfully creates a demigod we can nonetheless care about and relate to — even if everyone respects Ip's fighting skills, he still has to pay the rent.

So the first half of *Ip Man 2* focuses on Ip trying to establish a training school in Hong Kong by proving himself against the local masters (including Sammo Hung), while the second half throws him in the ring with the British empire. As the boxer, Darren Shahlavi gives a pretty awful performance, but he's cruel and imposing enough as an avatar of British imperialist force (Morrissey should love him). I wanted a bit more of Fan Siu-wong, who has the bullish features and swagger of the young Toshiro Mifune, as the thug who made Ip's life annoying in the first film but returns here amusingly gentled by marriage and fatherhood. But when Donnie Yen is up there defying gravity and seemingly breaking the sound barrier with his fists, a lot is forgiven. *Ip Man 2* is a worthy sequel; I just hope they don't go for a third outing — who's left for Ip to fight and uphold Chinese exceptionalism, a Tibetan?

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How the Program Works – A program of the Marion Institute, Las Gaviotas is an eco-village and research center in Colombia, South America that focuses on reforestation to offset our carbon emissions. It is the only project in the world with a 23-year track record of the sustainable regeneration of tropical rainforest. To date, Las Gaviotas has replanted over 20,000 acres of rainforest. Trees and plants act as a type of filter, as they "breathe" in the CO2, cleaning the air and converting it into stored carbon.

What You Can Do to Curb Your Carbon Footprint – With Americans accounting for approximately 25 percent of all global greenhouse gas emissions every year, we need to act before it's too late. For starters, ways to reduce CO2 emissions in an everyday fashion include using public transportation, eating locally, and switching to energy-efficient lighting. Unfortunately, there is no way that to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases to zero, with nearly every aspect of our life still dependent on fossil fuels for manufacturing, transportation, and energy. The Marion Institute encourages everyone to join Desa in losing a ton of CO2 through the Gaviotas Carbon Offset Initiative by visiting the Marion Institute and learning more at www.MarionInstitute.org.

Plumb Memorial Library News

• **E-Readers User Group** – If you received an E-reader for Christmas or birthday, come to the E-Reader

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Thurs., February 10, 2011 / 5-9pm

- Party on Purchase Street!
  - Fire Performers
  - Live Music @ No Problemo
  - AHA! Photo Booth
  - Carnevale Cabaret & Live Music @ Pour Farm Tavern
- Custom Carnevale mask making @ Crowell's Fine Art
- Carnevale for Kids!
  - Mask making with the 1850s Ladies @ the NB Whaling National Historical Park
  - Clever Carnevale Kids @ First Unitarian Church
  - Mask making & bead stringing @ the Ocean Explorium
  - Valentine's craft with Love Life Lens Photography @ NB Public Library
- Calico hosts a Valentine's Craft-O-Rama featuring the best in locally hand-made gifts
- The World Through the Eyes of Ogden Nash: a reading by Your Theatre @ Seamen's Bethel
- Port Cities in New England lecture series @ the RJD
- Launch of the Schooner Ernestina 117th Anniversary Celebration @ the NB Whaling National Historical Park
- We Art NB! 8 New Exhibits @ UMass Dartmouth CVPA, NBAM, Artworks!, Crowell's Fine Art, NB Whaling Museum, Gallery X, Judith Klein Art Gallery, & Colo Colo Gallery.

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AHA! After 9 — Don't forget the fun doesn't end at 9!

The Wanderer
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Massachusetts Cultural Council
City of New Bedford Mayor Scott W. Lang

Tri-Town Police Logs

MARION

Log highlights Jan 23-Jan 29

•Wareham Rd – Motor vehicle stop
•Dexter Rd – Medical emergency
•Piney Point Rd – Burglar alarm
•Spring St – General services
•Wareham Rd – Larceny/past
•Cove St – General offense
•Allen St – Fire alarm
•Mill St – Motor vehicle complaint
•Converse Rd – General services
•West Dr – Burglar alarm
•Front St – Animal complaint
•Spring St – Medical emergency
•Cove Cir – Burglar alarm
•Front St – MVA/property
•Dexter Rd – Health/welfare
•Riverview Ln – Medical emergency
•Front St – MVA/injury
•Cottage St – Parking violation
•Route 195 west – MVA/injury
•Crapo St – Officer wanted
•Converse Rd – Property found
•Mill St – Animal complaint
•Brookhaven Ln – Suspicious activity
•Lewis St – General service
•Point Rd – Medical emergency
•Jenney Ln – Burglar alarm
•Crapo St – Medical transfer
•Lewis St – larceny/past
•Front St – Medical emergency
•Wareham Rd – Suspicious activity

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights Jan 22-Jan 29

•Pearl St – MV violations
•Fairhaven Rd – Burglary structure
•Tinkham Ln – Fire alarm
•North St – House check
•Wolf Island Rd – MV general
•Acushnet Rd – Animal control
•County Rd – MV general
•North St – MV violations
•Brandt Island Rd – Fire, other
•County Rd – Disabled MV
•Ned's Point Rd – Vandalism
•Tara Rd – Assist citizen
•County Rd – Alarm, burglar
•Pico Beach Rd – Animal control
•Angelica Ave – Health/welfare
•Perkins Ln – MV lockout
•Water St – Ambulance request
•Marion Rd – Drugs/narcotics
•Fairhaven Rd – Domestic disturbance
•Main St – Medical assist
•Prospect Rd _ MV crash
•Marion Rd – Disturbance
•Rte 195 east – Fire, auto
•Baptist St – Parking violation
•Water St – MV general
•County Rd – MV crash
•Barstow St – Parking complaint
•Marina Dr – Ambulance request
•Mattapoisett Neck Rd – Illegal dumping

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Jan 23-Jan 29

•Ryder Rd – Suspicious activity
•Rounseville Rd – Assist citizen
•Union Church Terr. – Domestic disturbance
•Mary's Pond Rd – Officer wanted
•Walnut Plain Rd – Animal control
•Briarwood Ln – Ambulance request
•Hartley Rd – Motor vehicle stop
•North Ave – Motor vehicle accident
•Cushman Rd – Animal control
•Dexter Ln – Officer wanted
•Boxberry Ln – Message delivery
•North Ave – Lockout
•Hiller Rd – Traffic hazard
•Burgess Ave – Ambulance request
•Cranberry Hwy – MV Accident
•Dexter Ln – Injury on duty
•Braley Hill Rd – Auto theft
•Alley Rd – Animal control
•Cushman Rd – Traffic hazard
•New Bedford Rd – Motor vehicle stop
•Dexter Ln – Silent 911
•Neck Rd – Civil complaint
•North Ave – Motor vehicle stop
•New Bedford Rd – Suspicious activity
•Swifts Beach Rd – Domestic disturbance
•Rounseville Rd – Highway matter
Marion Rd – Motor vehicle stop
•Pine At. – Alarm, burglar
•Snipatuit Rd – 911 Abandoned

Regional Lunch Menus

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday February 7: Baked rigatoni w/meat sauce, Italian blend veg, dinner roll, pudding
Tuesday February 8: Apple cider beef stew w/vegetables, boiled potatoes, whole wheat roll, apricots
Wednesday February 9: Meatloaf w/ mushroom gravy, mashed potatoes, diced beets, whole wheat bread, peaches
Thursday February 10: Cream of broccoli soup, apricot chicken, Florentine rice, multigrain roll, cookie, Diet: Graham waffle
Friday February 11: Cold Plate-High Sodium: Seafood salad, potato salad, coleslaw, pita bread, fresh fruit

MATTAPOISETT ELEMENTARY - CENTER

Monday February 7: Popcorn chicken, oven baked fries, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Tuesday February 8: Taco with all the fixings, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Wednesday February 9: American chop suey, vegetable, bread, pudding, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Thursday February 10: Heart shape chicken nuggets, oven baked fries, vegetable, frozen juice cups, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Friday February 11: Pizza, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday February 7: French toast sticks, syrup, lite sausage, 100% juice, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Tuesday February 8: Taco with all the fixings, vegetable, choice of fruit choice of milk
Wednesday February 9: Chicken parm over pasta, vegetable, bread, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Thursday February 10: Hot dog on a roll, cole slaw, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Friday February 11: Pizza, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday February 7: Cheese or chicken quesadillas, salad, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Tuesday February 8: Chicken patty on a roll, fresh vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Wednesday February 9: Spaghetti with meatballs, salad, bread stick, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Thursday February 10: Hot dog on a roll, cole slaw, fries, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Friday February 11: Appetizer platter, celery, carrot sticks, choice of fruit, choice of milk

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

Monday February 7: French toast sticks, syrup, lite sausage, 100% juice, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Tuesday February 8: Taco with all the fixings, vegetable, choice of fruit choice of milk
Wednesday February 9: Chicken parm sub, vegetable, bread, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Thursday February 10: Hot dog on a roll, cole slaw, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Friday February 11: Our Pizza, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk

SIPPICAN SCHOOL, MARION

Monday February 7: French toast sticks, syrup, lite sausage, 100% juice, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Tuesday February 8: Taco with all the fixings, vegetable, choice of fruit choice of milk
Wednesday February 9: Chicken parm over pasta, bread, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Thursday February 10: Hot dog on a roll, cole slaw, choice of fruit, choice of milk
Friday February 11: Pizza, vegetable, choice of fruit, choice of milk

OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL HIGH

Monday February 7: beef stew, grilled cheese, peas, side salad, pears
Tuesday February 8: Lasagna roll, green beans, bread, pears
Wednesday February 9: Quesadillas, salsa, sour cream, lettuce, rice, corn, peaches
Thursday February 10: Chicken nuggets, fries, carrots, mixed fruit
Friday February 11: Pizza, salad, fruit

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Users Group on Saturday, **February 12** at from 1:00 to 2:00 pm to trade tips, hacks, or ideas. Learn how to use the Overdrive service provided by the library to download free books to your e-reader. Use the library's wireless connection to access your accounts. All types of e-readers are welcome. If you do not have an e-reader, and want to see what all the fuss is about, drop by to ask owners what they think of their devices. Pre-registration is not required, but encouraged to ensure a space at the table.

• **Café Parlez** – The February book for Café Parlez is *Little Bee*, by Chris Cleave. Little Bee, smart and stoic, knows two people in England, Andrew and Sarah, journalists she chanced upon on a Nigerian beach after fleeing a massacre in her village. This book will be discussed on Thursday, **February 24** at 6:30 pm. Books and audiobooks are available at the desk, or bring your own copy. You may also borrow an audio copy from the Overdrive service at the SAILS website.

• **Non-Fiction Club** – The February book for the Nonfiction Book Discussion Group will be *The Lost City of Z: A Tale of Deadly Obsession in the Amazon*, by David Grann. In 1925, renowned British explorer Col. Percy Harrison Fawcett embarked on a much-publicized search to find the city of Z, site of an ancient Amazonian civilization that may or may not have existed. Fawcett, along with his grown son Jack, never returned, but that didn't stop countless others from venturing into the jungle to find Fawcett or the city. Among these adventure seekers was author David Grann, a writer with bad eyesight and even worse sense of direction. The group will discuss this book on Monday, **February 28** at 6:30 pm. Copies of the book are available at the desk.

• **Mad Science** – The ever-popular Mad Science returns for the February school vacation on Tuesday, **February 22** at 3:00 pm with "Wacky Weather". See how

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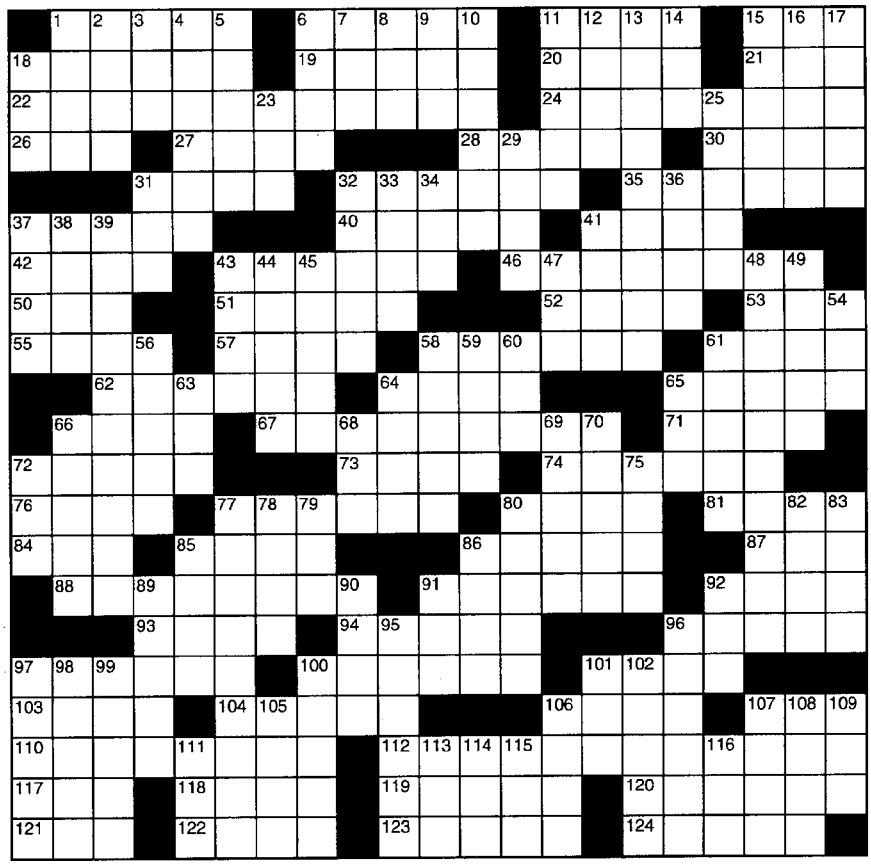
ACROSS

1 "Lili" actress
6 Decorous
11 Jack of "Rio Lobo"
15 With 10 Down, "Cheers" star
18 Entice
19 It's tossed with sauce
20 Waiter's offering
21 Medical grp.
22 Gene Barry role
24 Gene Autry's horse
26 Maestro de Waart
27 Evened the score
28 Prophets
30 "So — You" ('77 song)
31 Torrid or Frigid
32 Bluesman James
35 Le Carre title start
37 Zeal
40 Tea of "Deep Impact"
41 Diplomacy
42 Libertine
43 "Macbeth" role
46 Kind of sale
50 Vex
51 Linda of "Dynasty"
52 Revise a manuscript
53 Start to snooze
55 Colors
57 Gouda garbage
58 Schedule
61 Fluffy hairdo
62 Annette of "48HRS."
64 Privy to
65 Refuse
66 Out of range
67 Gene Sarazen invention
71 Architect Saarinen
72 "Die Fledermaus" maid
73 "Oh, woe!"
74 Irrational
76 Stocking stuffer?
77 Somewhat
80 Scenter of your face?
81 — -de-camp
84 Blunder
85 Top-notch
86 Fido's friend
87 Fido's physician
88 Silver-tongued
91 Not long ago
92 Kid
93 Litter's littlest
94 Mead's "Coming — in Samoa"
96 Trier "Thanks!"
97 "— Cafe" ('88 film)
100 Popped one's pecs
101 Actress Verdon
103 Farm measure
104 Swap
106 Shopping center
107 Zoo attraction
110 Gene Roddenberry creation
112 Gene Krupa's bandleader
117 Sky light?
118 Part of NB
119 Stalin's predecessor
120 Stereo components
121 Choose, with "for"
122 Bird food
123 " Maria —" ('41 song)
124 Clear the slate

DOWN

1 "— All Over" ('64 hit)
2 Choir member
3 Cadge
4 Wind instrument?
5 Varnish ingredient
6 Tore
7 Pine product
8 Burro
9 Robert of "Quincy, M.E."
10 See 15 Across
11 Roast host
12 Annealing oven
13 '56 Ingrid Bergman film
14 Silent
15 Use one's noodle
16 Overact
17 Patron
18 Vigoda or Fortas
23 Placekicker's prop
25 It's spotted out West
29 Lexicographer Partridge
31 Actress Wanamaker
32 African antelope
33 "Why don't we?"
34 Berg or Drabowsky
36 "New Jack City" actor
37 Saharan
38 Actor Calhoun
39 Gene Chandler hit
41 Barber Sweeney
43 Leander's love
44 Iniquities
45 Crete's capital
47 Dawson of football
48 Gene Hackman film
49 Museum piece
54 Computer acronym
56 Play for time
58 Statesman Sadat
59 Departs
60 Goal
61 Amphitheater feature
63 Nev. neighbor
64 Unemployed
65 "Agnus —"
66 Cherish
68 Uh-uh
69 Florida feature
70 Blackboard support
72 "Stroker —" ('83 film)
75 Quite
77 "Shaft" star
78 Without — (daringly)
79 Decimal base
80 Big-name
82 Secretary, e.g.
83 Diminutive suffix
85 Blue hue
86 Ire
89 Court cry
90 Spilled the beans
91 Negligent
92 Tenor Peerce
95 Weak
96 Circuitous course
97 Lowdown crooner?
98 Behave like a brat
99 Endowment
100 Pretended
101 Berle bit
102 Knocked out a novel
105 Artist Magritte
106 Sociable starling
107 The — Brothers
108 Reduce, with "down"
109 USNA grad
111 Recipe abbr.
113 Conger or moray
114 Compass pt.
115 Palindromic diarist
116 "Jurassic Park" stuff



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The week continues to encourage the forming of new personal relationships and the shoring up of those that might be weakening. New contacts also dominate the workaday world.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) While the bold Bovine might want to move quickly to deal with sudden plan changes, it might be best to wait until you can come up with some solid facts behind the unexpected turn of events.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's a good week to consider how you'll move on matters both personal and professional. In either case, the more you know about them, the more likely it is that you'll make the right decisions.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Although you might find more colleagues ready to support your plans, some of them could ask for changes you don't approve of. Be ready to defend your position if necessary.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This is a good time for Leos and Leonas to think about opportunities that might be outside your usual interests. You could be surprised to find something well worth your consideration.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You can turn a troublesome workplace issue to your advantage by prompting that Virgo penchant for preciseness to take over where all else has failed. An old friend makes contact.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A friend's unexpected work-related news could be a wake-up call to get you to reassess your position. See if you need to make changes to strengthen your position at this time.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You might want to review a decision to work alone on a project. You might see it as efficient and prudent, but some might see it as unnecessary secretiveness, even for a Scorpio.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Don't be put off by a lukewarm response to a recent effort. Perhaps you didn't present a strong enough argument. Rebuild your case with more facts, and try again. Good luck.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A surprise development in the early part of the week could be linked to an ongoing situation. Before you decide to take further action, consider calling for a group discussion.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your sensitive side helps you work through an emotionally difficult situation with a minimum of bruised feelings all around. A welcome change bows in by the week's end.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) While the week still favors new pursuits, some things from the past also make a claim for your attention. The weekend is open for good times with some of the people closest to you.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a wonderful gift for seeing the best in people.

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weather systems are formed and measured. Examine and test anemometers. See how a cloud is formed. See how temperature affects pressure. Lift a classmate – using air! Each participant will take home a UV Bead Kit. This program is for ages K-6, and pre-registration is required. Space is limited, so register now by dropping by the library, or calling 508-763-8600. You can also email Miss Lisa at lfuller@sailsinc.org.

• **Tech Tuesdays** – If you have some knowledge of computers, but want to learn more, sign up for the Tech Tuesday series of computer classes for adults. Space is limited, so sign up now. You may bring your own laptop, or use a library computer. You can also arrange for a one-to-one computer help session with the librarian or a skilled volunteer during library hours. Ask at the desk for an appointment.

The schedule is:

February 8: Shopping, Social Networking, and Safety
February 15: Excel
February 22: Word 2007

• **Bruins Summer Reading Winner** – The Plumb Library would also like to announce a winner in the Bruins Summer Reading contest. **Troy Rood** of Rochester won the Zamboni Ride prize and will get to ride the Zamboni during the Boston Bruins Home Game on April 6, 2011.

Mattapoisett Library Events

• **Download Books Demo –** Drop by on Tuesday, **February 8** at 6:00 pm and learn how to download ebooks, audiobooks and music on the library's new Download Station for the public. Bring in your MP3 player or other device, select a title to borrow, and it will be downloaded instantly. There is no software to download and simple to use. The download station is located upstairs in the non-fiction area. Library staff will be on hand to demonstrate.

• **Love Your Library –** It's that time of year to revisit the library and find out what's new. Pick up a bookmark and a list of all the upcoming programs and events for the next few months. New bookmarks and treats are on us! Make sure everyone in your family has a library card. It's free and enables patrons to search and

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION
The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 14, 2011 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall on the Request for A Determination Applicability submitted by Barbara Jasmin, 5 Creek St, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to elevate existing structure to meet current FEMA standards. Construct new foundation. The project is located at 5 Creek Street and is further identifed as Lot 249 on Assessor Map5A.
Conservation Commission 02/03

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF MARION
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
CASE #644 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 PM on Thursday, February 24, 2011, in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House in order to reopen the closed application of T-Mobile Northeast LLC for:

1. Special Permit under section(s) 8.3.A.3 and 2.3.3 of the zoning by-law to allow a wireless communication facility in the Residence C District as provided under Article X, Section 8.3; and

2. A variance from sections Article X, Section 5.1 of the zoning by-law to allow a telecommunications tower at a height of 130 feet; and

3. Waiver under Article X, Section 8.3.A.2. for tower height setback from rear property line.

The property, located at 4 Derby Lane, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 11 as Lot 18B.
Robert D. Wedge, Chairman
Zoning Board of Appeals 02/03, 0210

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Town of Mattapoisett
Brenda A. Herbeck, Collector of Taxes
Office of the Collector of Taxes
Notice of Tax Taking
To the owners of the hereinafter described land and to all others concerned:
You are hereby notified that on Friday the 18th day of February, 2011, at 10:00 A.M. at the Tax Collector's Office, 16 Main St , pursuant to the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 60, Section 53, and by virtue of the authority vested in me as Collector of Taxes, it is my intention to take for the Town of Mattapoisett the following parcels of land for non-payment of the taxes due thereon, with interest and all incidental expenses and costs to the date of taking, unless the same shall have been paid before that date.

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 25,754 Sq. Ft. on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0123.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $253.55

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 32,073 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0111.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds
2010 Tax $256.90

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 18,130 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0074.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 49 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $250.10

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 23,022 Sq. Ft. on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0128.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $251.86

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 17,181 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0119.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $249.53

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 42,229 Sq. Ft. on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN asshown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0133.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $262.50

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 1.31 Acres on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0132.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $287.15

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 1.18 Acres on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0131.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $277.06

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 1.81 Acres on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0104.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $326.35

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 19,907 Sq. Ft. on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0124.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $250.18

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 15,351 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0075.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 49 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $247.95

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 15,555 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0121.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $248.98

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 16,890 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0118.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $249.53

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 34,412 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0110.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $258.58

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 1.98 Acres on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0109.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $339.78

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 27,388 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0107.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $254.10

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 1.46 Acres on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0105.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $300.03

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land with buildings thereon of approximately 16,975 Sq. Ft.on 3 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0062.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 49 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 CPA $34.88
2010 Tax $4,048.97

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 26,387 Sq. Ft. on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0129.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $254.58

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 19,805 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0077.0 recordedin Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $250.18

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 16,145 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0146.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 49 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $237.31

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 37,590 Sq. Ft. on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0130.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds.
2010 Tax $260.26

Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES
A parcel of land of approximately 21,729 Sq. Ft. on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0127.0 recorded

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• **Documentary Screening** – View the recently released documentary by journalist Don Cuddy, "Finest Kind: Groundfishing on Georges Bank." The film will be shown on **February 23** at 6:00 pm, with Don Cuddy on hand to facilitate discussion of the challenges faced by local fishermen.

• **Writers' Group** – The Writers' Group continues to meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 6:30 pm in the Marine Room. Share your work in progress and hear constructive feedback. All genres welcome.

• **The Second Club of Coffee Job Club** – Each Wednesday from 10:00 to 11:30 am, the Job Club meets to assist those searching for employment and others looking to change careers or come out of retirement. Share your tips, gain a network, and learn interviewing techniques. Job leads are shared, and resume help is offered.

• **Lego Club** – Saturdays from 1:00 to 2:30 pm is the time to build. Children of all ages are welcome to the community room to use the library's Lego collection. Share your ideas and make a friend.

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Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer online and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

Each time you find the Aardvark you will also be entered in our monthly drawing for other cool Aardvark Prizes.

If you would like to enter the monthly drawing by mail, send your name, address and phone number along with the issue date and page number you found him in to: Wanderer - I Found the Aardvark, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Entries by mail will not be eligible for Aardvark Points.

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in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $251.30 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of approximately 31,723 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0106.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $257.38 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of approximately 16,452 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0120.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $248.50 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of approximately 19,580 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0116.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $250.66 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of approximately 18,687 Sq. Ft. on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0125.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds 2010 Tax $249.63 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of, approximately 18,267 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0117.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $250.10 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of approximately 42,237 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0112.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $262.50 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of approximately 24,533 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0114.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $252.98 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of approximately 30,499 Sq. Ft. on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors	Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0134.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $255.78 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of approximately 16,176 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0076.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $248.98 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of approximately 19,990 Sq. Ft. on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0122.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 49 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $250.18 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of approximately 21,265 Sq. Ft. on 0 SPLIT ROCK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0126.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $251.78 Assessed To ABBOTT HOMES A parcel of land of approximately 41,085 Sq. Ft. on 0 FIELDSTONE DR as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 027.A-0000-0113.0 recorded in Book 34900 on Page 50 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 Tax $260.91 Assessed To BORGES JR LEONARD A & PAULINE J A parcel of land with buildings thereon of approximately 41,371 Sq. Ft. on 201 ACUSHNET RD as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 022.0-0000-0035.B recorded in Book 5749 on Page 343 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 CPA $3.38 2010 Tax $1,193.14 Assessed To LECLAIR DONNA M A parcel of land with buildings thereon of approximately 16,830 Sq. Ft. on 12 MELANIE LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 017.0-0000-0275.0 recorded in Book 5161 on Page 312 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 CPA $7.46 2010 Sewer Betterment $179.70 2010 Sewer Betterment Interest $64.69 2010 Sewer Lien $186.63 2010 Tax $1,026.43 2010 Water Lien $544.00 Assessed To LOPRIORE GARY & DEFELICE FRANK	A parcel of land of approximately 12.02 Acres on 0 MEADOWBROOK LN as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 013.0-0000-0023.0 recorded in Book 26491 on Page 244 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. 2010 CPA $4.78 2010 Tax $1,511.71 Assessed To LYNCH DIANE E & ALLEN THOMAS G A parcel of land with buildings thereon of approximately 1.91Acres on 10 PARK ST as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 017.0-0000-0179.0 recorded in Book 26778 on Page 303 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. Supposed Present Owner: LAWRENCE L PAULINE & DIANE E LYNCH 2010 Tax $597.53 Assessed To MAPLE VIEW COURT LLC A parcel of land of approximately 12.71 Acres on 0 FAIRHAVEN RD as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 011.0-0000-0046.0 recorded on Certificate 111465, Lot 2 on Plan 28218A, w/c 29520 in the Plymouth Registry of Deeds Land Court. 2010 CPA $9.62 2010Tax $1,521.93 Assessed To MCGILL JAMES K & SHIRLEY B TRUSTEES of the MCGILL-PLYMOUTH REALTY TRUST A parcel of land with buildings thereon of approximately 10,000 Sq. Ft. on 7 HARBOR RD – HARBOR BEACH as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 004.0-0000-0074.0 recorded on Certificate 109237, Lot 74, Plan 11958B, w/c 14295 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds Land Court 2010 CPA$3.42 2010 Tax $636.08 Assessed To MOREAU BRETT D & ANNE E A parcel of land with buildings thereon, approximately 11,765 Sq. Ft. on 5 UPLAND WY as shown on Assessors Records as Parcel ID 016.0-0000-0193.0 recorded in Book 33776 on Page 001 in the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds. Supposed Present Owner: BRETT MOREAU 2010 CPA$12.99 2010 Tax $2,475.60

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Mattapoisett Council on Aging

The following is the Mattapoisett's COA schedule for February. Please call the COA with any questions at 508-758-4110.

• Thursday, **February 3**: 9:30 am Public Health Nurse; 9:00 am Bridge; Trip to Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston.

• Friday, **February 4:** 8:45 am Yoga; 8:30 am Shaws.

• Monday, **February 7**: 9:00 am Garden Club; 9:00 am Shine; 10:00 Knitters Group (all welcome); 12:00 pm Fitness with Karen; 12:30 pm Fairhaven Marts; 1:00 pm Scrabble.

• Tuesday, **February 8**: 8:45 am Yoga; 8:30 am Stop and Shop; 9:30 am Public Health Nurse; 1:00 pm Painters Welcome.

• Wednesday, **February 9**: 10:00 am Zumba Gold; 12:00 pm Fitness with Karen; 1:30 pm Bingo.

• Thursday, **February 10**: 9:30 am Public Health Nurse; 9:00 am Bridge; Lunch trip to Brockton.

• Friday, **February 11**: 8:45 am Yoga; 8:30 am Shaws; 11:00 am Speaker: Comparing Labels.

• Monday, **February 14**: 9:00 am Garden Club; 9:00 am Shine; 10:00 am Knitters Group (all welcome); 12:00 pm Fitness with Karen; 12:30 pm Fairhaven Marts; 1:00 pm Scrabble.

• Tuesday, **February 15**: 8:45 am Yoga; 8:30 am Stop and Shop; 9:30 am Public Health Nurse; 1:00 pm Painters Welcome; Breakfast Trip to Virginia's, Westport.

• Wednesday, **February 16**: 8:30 am Market Basket; 10:00 am Zumba Gold; 12:00 pm Fitness with Karen; 1:30 pm Bingo.

• Thursday, **February 17**: 9:30 am Public Health Nurse; 9:00 am Bridge; Lunch trip to Middleboro.

• Friday, **February 18**: 8:45 am Yoga; 8:30 am Shaws.

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Gerry Gonneville	February 8
Anne O'Brien-Kakley	February 9

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Remember to check The Wanderer each week so you will know who to wish a "Happy Birthday!"

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Snow Preparedness – The following tips are recommended to prepare for a storm:

• Stay Home. A lot of injuries and fatalities happen when people venture out by car in a bad snowstorm.

• Keep all exits from your home free of ice and snow to ensure your safety if you have to leave your home in a hurry.

• Have plenty of rock salt to keep your walkways clear of ice.

• Check to make sure that your exterior vents for your hot water tanks, furnace and other heating appliances are clear of snow by at least a foot if not better.

• Have your snow shovels and other snow removal equipment in good working condition.

• Non-perishable foods like canned goods or boxed foods will keep for long periods of time and don't need refrigeration.

• Have a manual can opener and batteries available for use.

• Battery-powered or self-powered radio and flashlight, are important to have handy.

• Keep a list of emergency numbers on hand, including contact information for the police, fire and your doctor.

• Keep a fire extinguisher on hand.

• To alleviate ice dams, carefully rake snow off the edge of your roof.

• Kerosene heaters are not to be used indoors unless they are approved for indoor use.

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3	5	8	6	9	2	7	4	1
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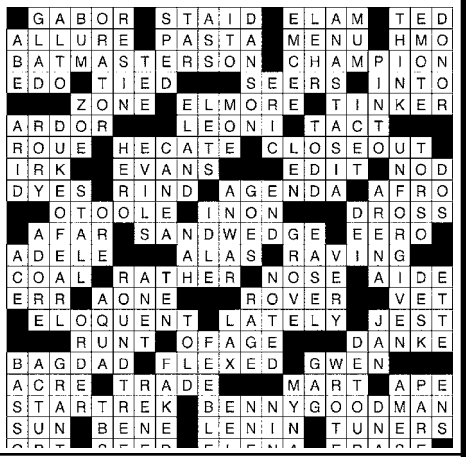

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The Old Rochester Regional School District's police states that children must turn 5 years old on or before August 31 of the year they enroll in Kindergarten. Parents should bring a birth certificate or a notarized memorandum of birth with them on registration day.

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In addition, all outstanding court orders or decrees regarding the legal custody of your child must be furnished at registration time. This is necessary in order to assist the school in the release of educational records and information, as well as the dismissal of children, to the appropriate parent/adult.

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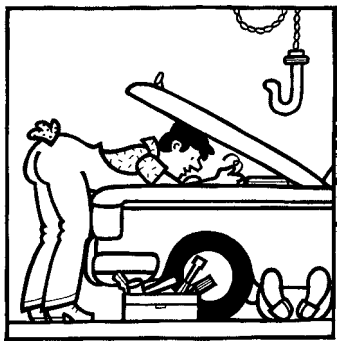

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Playgroup Facilitators Needed

The Old Rochester Regional Early Childhood Office is looking for anyone interested in facilitating a preschool or infant playgroup.

Playgroups are designed to offer families with young children the opportunity to meet others with children of similar age. As a skilled facilitator, you would be expected to share some simple activities and information that is appropriate for the ages of the children in the groups.

A stipend is available for facilitators of these groups. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Early Childhood Office at 508-748-1863.

Bicentennial Committee Public Forum

The Town of Fairhaven Bicentennial Committee will be holding a public forum on Saturday, **February 12**, to update the public on the committee's plans for a town-wide celebration of Fairhaven's 200th Anniversary in 2012. The meeting will be held in the Town Hall auditorium at 10:00 am. Members of the public and representatives of Fairhaven non-profit groups, clubs, churches, businesses and the press are invited to attend. Members of the Bicentennial Committee will outline some of the activities that are being planned. There are events already scheduled for February 2012, and for the week of June 30 through July 8, 2012. Activities already in the planning stages include concerts, a ball, waterfront activities, an exhibit of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial "Moving Wall", an ecumenical service, a fire parade and muster, historical tours, a car cruise, beautification projects, creation of a time capsule, a family picnic day, a chowder fest, and a grand parade.

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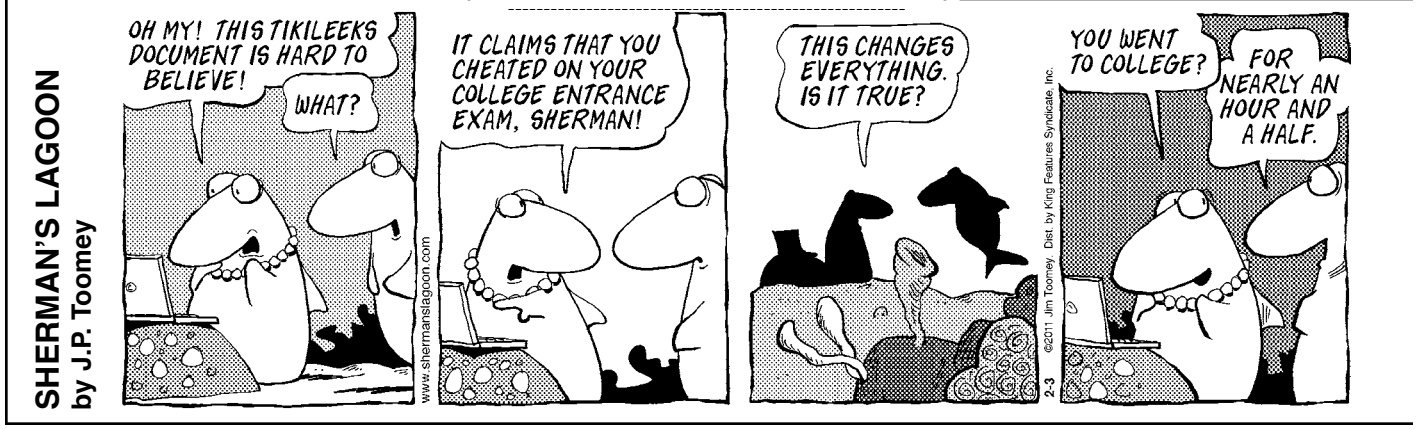

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Please plan to attend this public forum on February 12 and share your ideas. For more information, contact Bicentennial Committee Chairman Wayne Oliveira at waynev.oliveira@verizon.net or Christopher Richard at FairhavenTours@aol.com.

"Man and Whales" Lecture Series

"Man and Whales: Changing Views Through Time", a free public lecture series returns to the New Bedford Whaling Museum, Wednesday, **February 16** at 7:30 pm. Now in its third year, the series delves into a variety of whaling and whale conservation topics through the juxtaposed viewpoints of the historical and the modern. Each night, expert presenters take turns at the podium sharing their knowledge of a specific aspect of whales and whaling, providing a broader understanding of these topics. The 2011 series will examine stranded whales, tagged whales, oiled whales and launch a new comprehensive book on sperm whales.

The four lectures will be held on Wednesday evenings in the Cook Memorial Theater – **February 16, March 16, April 20** and **May 18**, at 7:30 pm – with a pre-lecture reception in the Jacobs Family Gallery at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free.

Fairhaven Homecoming Fair Applications

Applications for the 36th Annual Fairhaven Homecoming Fair are now available. The Fair will be held on **June 25**, 2011 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Applications have been emailed or mailed to vendors who have participated in the past two years. All others may complete the application online at www.FairhavenHomecoming.wordpress.com or pick one up at the Fairhaven Town Hall, Millicent Library or Fairhaven Tourism Office. For questions, contact Eric and Angela Dawicki at angeladawicki@gmail.com

Wampanoag Council Brunch

The Wampanoag Council No. 15 is inviting everyone to attend its annual scholarship fundraiser, "Valentine Brunch" on Sunday, **February 13** from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. The cost to attend is $6.50 per adult and $4 per child. The event will take place at Redmen's Hall, 754 Main Street, Wareham. For more information, call Darlene at 508-758-338 or Peggy at 508-292-9766.

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February 4:	Fri.	8:40	8:55	1:46	2:10
February 5:	Sat.	9:17	9:31	2:25	2:43
February 6:	Sun.	9:52	10:07	3:03	3:16
February 7:	Mon.	10:28	10:43	3:40	3:50
February 8:	Tues.	11:06	11:20	4:17	4:25
February 9:	Wed.	11:46	. . .	4:57	5:04
February 10:	Thurs.	12:01	12:31	5:44	5:50
February 11:	Fri.	12:48	1:23	6:47	6:47
February 12:	Sat.	1:43	2:22	8:19	7:56
February 13:	Sun.	2:47	3:28	9:39	9:05
February 14:	Mon.	3:56	4:33	10:35	10:07
February 15:	Tues.	5:00	5:30	11:22	11:04
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February 17:	Thurs.	6:46	7:11	12:02	12:50
February 18:	Fri.	7:34	7:59	12:53	1:32
February 19:	Sat.	8:23	8:48	1:45	2:13
February 20:	Sun.	9:12	9:39	2:35	2:54

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